

Gila County, Arizona

**NONPARTISAN CANDIDATE FILING PROCEDURE**

1. The following documents are included with this packet:
  - Important Election Dates
  - Candidate Statement of Interest
  - Nonpartisan Nomination Paper
  - Nonpartisan Nomination Petition
  - Petition Signature Requirements
2. **NEW For 2020:** The Candidate Statement of Interest Form must be filed before the collection of petition signatures can begin. The Form can be mailed, emailed or faxed to the Gila County Elections Department.
3. **Campaign Finance:**
  - If you receive or make expenditures (of a combined total) greater than \$1,200.00 you will need to file a statement of organization with the Gila County Department of Elections within ten days of exceeding the \$1,200.00 limit.
  - Filing may be done by mail or in person.
  - Documents will be considered filed on the date received in the elections office. Mail early to avoid delivery delays.
  - For email correspondence contact: [emariscal@gilacountyaz.gov](mailto:emariscal@gilacountyaz.gov).
  - By regular mail: Gila County Elections Department, 5515 S. Apache Ave. Ste. 900, Globe, AZ 85501.
4. **Nomination Paper:**
  - Make sure to answer every question and fill in every blank.
  - Insert the candidate's name exactly how it is to appear on the ballot. The candidate's last name appears first, then the first name. A middle or nickname is optional. Nicknames are permissible as long as they do not suggest a title.
  - Candidates must sign the form.
5. **Nomination Petitions:**
  - The candidate must file at least the minimum, and no more than the maximum, number of signatures required. If there are too few signatures, the filing will not be accepted. If there are too many signatures, we cannot count those in excess of the maximum.
  - **BEFORE** filing petitions, check each petition to ensure:
    - The circulator portion on the back side is complete and signed; notarization not required.
    - The elector signature lines on the front side of each petition are complete and that the elector signed the petition.
    - A petition page does not have to contain 10 signatures, but it cannot contain more than 10 signatures. Signatures written in margins will not be accepted.

## NONPARTISAN CANDIDATE FILING PROCEDURE (Continued)

### 6. Filing:

- The **Nonpartisan Nomination Paper and the Nonpartisan Nomination Petitions** must be filed with the Gila County Department of Elections between the First and Last Dates Nonpartisan Candidates Can File as shown on the Important Election Dates form.
- Filing may be done **by mail or in person only**.
- Documents will be considered filed on the date received in the elections office. Mail early to avoid delivery delays.
- Filing will not be accepted by email, fax or postmark.
- Partial filings **will not** be accepted.

### 7. Termination Statement

- If you filed a Statement of Organization for your campaign you will need to file a termination statement in accordance with A.R.S. 16-934.

## 2020 IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

<b>PRIMARY ELECTION</b>	
First Date Partisan Candidates Can File Partisan Nominating Petitions including Precinct Committeemen (150 Days before election)	Mon, March 9, 2020
Last Date Partisan Candidates Can File Partisan Nominating Petitions including Precinct Committeemen (120 Days before election)	Mon, April 6, 2020 at 5 pm
Last Day Partisan <b>Write-in</b> Precinct Committeemen Candidates Can File (76 Days)	Wed, May 20, 2020 at 5pm
Last Day Partisan <b>Write-In</b> Candidates Can File (40 Days)	Thurs, June 25, 2020 at 5pm
Voter Registration Closes (29 Days)	Mon, July 6, 2020 at midnight
Early Voting Begins (27 Days)	Wed, July 8, 2020
Sample Ballots Mailed (11 Days)	Fri, July 24, 2020
<b>Primary Election</b>	<b>Tues, August 4, 2020</b>
<b>GENERAL ELECTION</b>	
First Date Candidates Can File "Nomination Other Than by Primary" or Independent (150 Days)	Mon, March 9, 2020
Last Date Candidates Can File "Nomination Other Than by Primary" (120 Days)	Mon, April 6, 2020 at 5 pm
<b>First Date Non-Partisan (Special Districts, Schools, Community College) Candidates Can File (150 Days)</b>	Mon, June 8, 2020
Last Date Non-Partisan (Special Districts, Schools, Community College) Candidates Can File (120 Days)	Mon, July 6, 2020 at 5 pm
Last Day <u>Write-in</u> Non-Partisan (Special Districts, Schools, Community College) Candidates Can File (76 Days)	Wed, Aug 19, 2020 at 5 pm
Last Day all other <u>Write-in</u> Candidates Can File (40 Days)	Thurs, Sept 24, 2020 at 5 pm
Voter Registration Closes (29 Days)	Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at Midnight
Early Voting Begins (27 Days)	Wed, Oct 7, 2020
Sample Ballots Mailed (11 Days)	Fri, Oct 23, 2020
<b>General Election</b>	<b>Tues, Nov 3, 2020</b>





STATE OF ARIZONA

*Candidate Statement of Interest*  
A.R.S. § 16-311; A.R.S. § 16-341

You are hereby notified that I, the undersigned, hereby declare my interest to run as a candidate for the office of \_\_\_\_\_, seeking the nomination of the \_\_\_\_\_ Party, at the \_\_\_\_\_ Election to be held on Tuesday, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

By submitting this document, I understand that any nomination petition signatures collected before the date of this Statement of Interest are invalid and may be subject to challenge pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-351, unless signatures were collected before August 27, 2019 and this Statement of Interest was filed by January 2, 2020.

\_\_\_\_\_  
LAST NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE



STATE OF ARIZONA

*Nonpartisan*  
NOMINATION PAPER  
DECLARATION OF QUALIFICATION  
A.R.S. § 16-311(B)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

You are hereby notified that I, the undersigned, a qualified elector, am a candidate for the office of

\_\_\_\_\_ at the election to be held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
20\_\_\_\_.

I will have been a citizen of the United States for \_\_\_\_\_ years before my election, will have been a  
citizen of Arizona for \_\_\_\_\_ years before my election, and I will be at least \_\_\_\_\_ years of age upon taking  
said office. I have resided in \_\_\_\_\_ County for \_\_\_\_\_ years and in precinct  
\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ years before my election.

Actual residence address \_\_\_\_\_ City or Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
or description of place of residence (required)

Post office address (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ City or town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Print or type your name on the following line in the exact manner you  
wish it to appear on the ballot, last name first.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
LAST NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAME

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the information in this Nomination Paper and Declaration of  
Qualification is true and correct, and that at the time of filing I am a resident of the county, district or precinct  
which I propose to represent, that I have no final, outstanding judgments against me of an aggregate of  
\$1,000 or more that arose from failure to comply with or enforcement of campaign finance law, and as to all  
other qualifications, I will be qualified at the time of election to hold the office that I seek.

\_\_\_\_\_  
CANDIDATE SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**Gila County, Arizona**

**2020**

**GILA COUNTY SPECIAL DISTRICTS**

A.R.S. 16-322 (A) (12) Nomination petitions shall be signed: ...If for a candidate for a governing body of a special district as described in title 48 by a number of qualified electors...equal to at least one-half of one percent of the vote in the special district but not more than two hundred fifty and not fewer than five signatures. ("The vote" is the number of votes cast in the last election.)

Special District	Signatures Required		No. to Elec.	Board Member up for Re-Election in 2020
	Minimum	Maximum		
Water Districts				
Beaver Valley DWID	5	250	3	Sam Baker
				Kerrick Hatch
				Mark Hallet
Canyon DWID	5	250	2	Linda Haught Ortega
				Mark A Shellenberger
Pine Creek Canyon DWID	5	250	2	Jim Crews
				Thomas Lee Kelly
Little Creek Land Co DWID	5	250	2	Vacant
				Vacant
Pine-Strawberry WID	13	250	4	Lawrence Bagshaw
				Sharon Hillman
				Forrest McCoy
				Robert Arbuthnot
Pine Water Association DWID	5	250	2	Maurine Heisdorffer
				Sally Randall
Rim Trail DWID	5	250	3	Dave McKibben
				Judy Scott
				John Tanner
Solitude Trails DWID	5	250	1	Dave Thompson
Strawberry Hollow DWID	5	250	1	Diane Peterson
Sunflower Mesa DWID	5	250	2	James H Bolt
				Glenda Philippe
Tonto Village DWID	5	250	3	Sandra Lewinson
				Cindy Fitch
				Chanel Fitch Kirkpatrick
Whispering Pines DWID	5	250	3	James L Abbott
				Robert Hull
				Steven Stevens



# Nonpartisan Nomination Petition

Put  
optional  
photo  
here

I, the undersigned, a qualified elector of the county of \_\_\_\_\_, state of Arizona, and of \_\_\_\_\_  
(here name political division or district from which the nomination is sought) hereby nominate  
who resides at \_\_\_\_\_ in the county of \_\_\_\_\_ for the office of \_\_\_\_\_  
to be voted at the \_\_\_\_\_ election to be held \_\_\_\_\_, and I hereby declare that I am qualified to vote for this office and that I have  
not signed, and will not sign, any nomination petitions for more persons than the number of candidates necessary to fill such office at the next ensuing election. I further  
declare that if I choose to use a post office box address on this petition, my residence address has not changed since I last reported it to the county recorder for purposes  
of updating my voter registration file.

Signature	Printed name	Actual residence address, description of place of residence or Arizona post office box address, city or town	Date of signing
1			
2			
3			
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**Instructions for Circulators**

1. All petitions shall be signed by circulator.
2. Circulator is not required to be a resident of this state but otherwise must be qualified to register to vote in this state and, if not a resident of this state, shall register as a circulator with the secretary of state.
3. Circulator's name shall be typed or printed under the circulator's signature.
4. Circulator's actual residence address or, if no street address, a description of residence location shall be included on the petition.

**PRINT NAME**

I,

a person who is not required to be a resident of this state but who is otherwise qualified to register to

**COUNTY**

vote in the county of

, in the state of Arizona, hereby verify that each of the names on the petition was signed in my presence on the date indicated and that in my

belief each signer was a qualified elector who resides at the address given as their residence on the date indicated.

Signature of Circulator

Typed or Printed Name of Circulator

Circulator's Actual Residence Address  
(If no street address, a description of residence location shall be included  
on the petition)

City or Town, State and Zip Code