

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
BUREAU OF COMMISSIONS, ELECTIONS AND LEGISLATION

**CALENDAR FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD JULY 12, 2016  
REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE 168<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT  
IN THE COUNTY OF DELAWARE**

1. Writ, prepared by presiding officer,  
served on the Secretary of the Commonwealth . . . . . May 11, 2016  
*(At least 60 days prior to the special election. § 628.1 of the Pennsylvania Election Code,  
25 P.S. § 2778)*
  
2. First day for political parties to nominate  
candidates by filing nomination certificates. . . . . May 11, 2016  
*(§ 629 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2779)*
  
3. First day for political bodies to circulate and file nomination  
papers nominating independent candidates . . . . . May 11, 2016  
*(§ 629 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2779)*
  
4. Last day to file nomination certificates and  
nomination papers . . . . . May 23, 2016  
*(50 days prior to date of special election. § 629 of the Pennsylvania Election Code,  
25 P.S. § 2779)*
  
5. Last day to file objections: 3 days after deadline for filing . . . . . May 26, 2016  
*(§ 632 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2782)*
  
6. Last day for Commonwealth Court to set a hearing  
on objections: 7 days after deadline for filing . . . . . May 31, 2016  
*(§ 632 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2782)  
(Because May 30<sup>th</sup> is a holiday, the date moves to the next business day.)*
  
7. Last day to withdraw: 7 days after the deadline for filing . . . . . May 31, 2016  
*(§ 633 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2783)  
(Because May 30<sup>th</sup> is a holiday, the date moves to the next business day.)*
  
8. Last day to file substituted nomination  
certificates: 7 days after the deadline for filing . . . . . May 31, 2016  
*(§ 634(c) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. §2784(c))  
(Because May 30<sup>th</sup> is a holiday, the date moves to the next business day.)*

9. Last day to file objections to substituted nominations:  
3 days after substituted nomination certificate is filed  
(§ 635 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2785) ..... June 3, 2016
  
10. Last day for Secretary of the Commonwealth to  
certify names and residence of all candidates ..... June 13, 2016  
(30<sup>th</sup> day preceding the day fixed for the special election. § 636 of the Pennsylvania Election  
Code, 25 P.S. § 2786)  
(Because June 12<sup>th</sup> falls on a Sunday, the date moves to the next business day, which is June  
13<sup>th</sup> § 104 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2604.)
  
11. Last day to register to vote before the election ..... June 13, 2016  
(30 days before the election. § 1(b) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 Pa C.S.A.  
§ 1326(b))  
(Because June 12<sup>th</sup> falls on a Sunday, the date moves to the next business day, which is June  
13<sup>th</sup> § 104 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2604.)
  
12. Last day before the election on which official applications for civilian absentee  
ballots may be received by the county board of elections ..... July 5, 2016  
(Tuesday before election. §1302.1 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S.  
§3146.2a(a))
  
13. All regular civilian absentee ballots must be received by the county board of elections  
not later than 5:00 P.M. on this day to be counted ..... July 8, 2016  
(Friday before the election. § 1306 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3146.6(a))
  
14. Last day for county boards of elections to receive voted military and  
overseas absentee ballots. .... July 19, 2016  
(by 5:00 P.M. on the 7<sup>th</sup> day following a primary or election and must be voted no later than  
11:59pm on July 11). § 3146.8(g)(1) & 25 Pa.C.S. § 3511(a))

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- A. Political Parties file nomination certificates, nominating candidates in accordance with party rules.
  
- B. **Independent candidates of political bodies file nomination papers**, obtaining signatures equal to 2% of the largest vote cast for any elected officer in that district at the last preceding election or the number of signatures required on a nomination petition for a political party candidate, whichever is greater. Signers of such papers must be qualified, registered

electors of the district. The number of signatures required on nomination papers to be filed by independent candidates of political bodies for the Special Election for the 168<sup>th</sup> Legislative District to be held July 12, 2016 is 328. All nomination papers must be accompanied by a properly completed candidate's affidavit and a copy of the Statement of Financial Interests required to be filed with the State Ethics Commission. In addition, a filing fee of \$100.00 must be submitted with each set of nomination papers and must be paid by certified check or money order payable to the 'Commonwealth of Pennsylvania'.

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING DEADLINES**

<i><b>Report</b></i>	<i><b>Complete Up To And Including</b></i>	<i><b>Filing Deadline*</b></i>
2nd Friday Pre-Election <i>(Complete as of 15 days prior to the election. § 1626(d) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3246(d))</i>	June 27, 2016	July 1, 2016
<b>24 Hour Reporting</b>	<b>June 28, 2016 (begins) (ends/includes) July 12, 2016</b>	
30 Day Post-Election	July 22, 2016	August 11, 2016
<i>(Complete as of 10 days after the special election. § 1626(e) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3246(e))</i>		

\*Postmarks are acceptable as proof of timely filing when reports are postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the day before the filing deadline.

**ETHICS LAW INFORMATION**

All candidates for the Special Election must file Statements of Financial Interests with the State Ethics Commission and a copy of the Statement of Financial Interests with their nomination certificates or nomination papers. For further information, please call the State Ethics Commission at (717) 783-1610.