

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

**CALENDAR FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD DECEMBER 5, 2017
REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE 133RD DISTRICT
IN THE COUNTY OF LEHIGH**

1. Writ, prepared by presiding officer,
served on the Secretary of the Commonwealth September 18, 2017
(*At least 60 days prior to the special election. 25 P.S. § 2778*)
2. First day for political parties and minor political parties to nominate
candidates by filing nomination certificates September 18, 2017
(*25 P.S. § 2779*)
3. First day for political bodies to circulate and file nomination
papers nominating candidates September 18, 2017
(*25 P.S. § 2779*)
4. Last day to file nomination certificates and
nomination papers October 16, 2017
(*50 days prior to date of special election. 25 P.S. § 2779*)
5. Last day to file objections: 3 days after the deadline for filing October 19, 2017
(*25 P.S. § 2782*)
6. Last day for Commonwealth Court to set a hearing
on objections: 7 days after deadline for filing October 23, 2017
(*25 P.S. § 2782*)
7. Last day to withdraw: 7 days after the deadline for filing October 23, 2017
(*25 P.S. § 2783*)
8. Last day to file substituted nomination
certificates: 7 days after the deadline for filing October 23, 2017
(*25 P.S. § 2784(c)*)
9. Last day to file objections to substituted nominations:
3 days after substituted nomination certificate is filed Depends on filing date
(*25 P.S. § 2785*)

10. Last day for Secretary of the Commonwealth to certify names and residence of all candidates.....November 6, 2017
(30th day preceding the day fixed for the special election. 25 P.S. § 2786)
(Because November 5th falls on a Sunday, the date moves to the next business day, which is November 6th, 25 P.S. § 2604.)

11. Last day to register to vote before the electionNovember 6, 2017
(30 days before the election. 25 Pa.C.S. § 1326(b))
(Because November 5th falls on a Sunday, the date moves to the next business day, which is November 6th, 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 electionsNovember 28, 2017
(Tuesday before election. 25 P.S. § 3146.2a(a))

13. All absentee ballots must be received by the county board of elections not later than 5:00 P.M. on this day to be counted December 1, 2017
(Friday before the election. 25 P.S. § 3146.6(a))

14. Last day for county boards of elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots. December 12, 2017
(by 5:00 P.M. on the 7th day following a primary or election and must be voted no later than 11:59pm on December 4th). 25 P.S. § 3146.8(g)(1) & 25 Pa.C.S. § 3511(a)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- A. Political Parties and Minor Political Parties file nomination certificates, nominating candidates in accordance with party rules.

- B. 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 candidates of political bodies for the Special Election for the 133rd Legislative District is 303.** 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'.

NOTE: The Election Code provides that no person “who is a registered and enrolled member of a party (shall) be eligible to be the candidate of a political body for a special election. 25 P.S. 2911.1.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING DEADLINES

<i>Report</i>	<i>Complete Up To And Including</i>	<i>Filing Deadline*</i>
2nd Friday Pre-Election <i>(Complete as of 15 days prior to the election. 25 P.S. § 3246(d). Because November 24th falls on a holiday, the date moves to the next business day.)</i>	November 20, 2017	November 27, 2017
<i>24 Hour Reporting</i>	<i>November 21, 2017(begins) (ends/includes)</i>	<i>December 5, 2017</i>
30 Day Post-Election	December 15, 2017	January 4, 2018
<i>(Complete as of 10 days after the special election. 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.