

2018 PETITION SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR HOLMES COUNTY

ALL OFFICES ARE COUNTY-WIDE

(Based on at least 1% of 11,230 Active Registered Voters of the 2016 General Election)

County Commissioner (*Partisan*)

District 2	113 Signatures
District 4	113 Signatures

School Board Member (*Nonpartisan*)

District 1	113 Signatures
District 3	113 Signatures
District 5	113 Signatures

Filing by the Petition Method

(Candidates who meet the petition requirements are not required to pay the qualifying fee)

- **When a candidate files the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (DS-DE 9), he or she may begin collecting petition signatures.**
- All registered voters' are eligible to sign petition cards
- All voters' signatures on petition cards will be verified with the voters' signature on file in the Supervisor of Elections Office.
- **Each Candidate shall pay to the Supervisor of Elections in advance the sum of 10 cents for each petition card submitted for verification**, unless the candidate files an Undue Burden oath. It is suggested that each candidate submit 125 to 130 petition cards for signature verification.
- **Candidates must use the petition format prescribed by the Division of Elections (DS-DE 104)** Candidates are responsible for reproducing the petition form for circulation. This format **cannot** be changed in any fashion and **cannot** be numbered on the face of the petition. Any changes to the format will invalidate the petition. Enlarging or shrinking the form does not change the format.
- If running for an office that requires a group or district designation, the petition must indicate the group or district number. If the group or district number is not indicated, the petition signatures will not be valid.
- Petitions must be signed by 1% of the registered voters in the geographical area of candidacy.
- Petitions must be submitted before noon of the 28th day proceeding the first day of the qualifying period for the office sought. The Supervisor of Elections shall determine if the required number of signatures has been obtained and shall notify the candidate. If the required number of signatures has been obtained the candidate may qualify by the petition process

JUDICIAL, STATE ATTORNEY AND PUBLIC DEFENDER CANDIDATES:

THE LAST DATE TO SUBMIT PETITIONS IS –
Monday, April 2, 2018 at 12:00 P.M. (Noon)

FEDERAL, STATEWIDE, MULTI-COUNTY, COUNTY, DISTRICT AND POLITICAL
PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE;

THE LAST DATE TO SUBMIT PETITIONS IS -
Monday, May 21, 2018 at 12:00 P.M. (Noon)

2018 CANDIDATE QUALIFYING DATES and AMOUNTS

Federal, Judicial, State Attorney and Public Defender

Noon, April 30 – Noon, May 5, 2018

(Sections 99.061, 105.035, F.S.—Noon of the 120th day prior to the Primary Election –No later than noon of the 116th day prior to the date of the Primary)

Statewide, Multi-county, County, District and Political Party Executive Committee

Noon, June 18 – Noon, June 22, 2018

(Section 99.061, F.S. – Noon of the 71st day prior to the Primary Election – No later than noon of the 67th day prior to the Primary Election)

(Section 99.061, F.S. – No earlier than 14 days prior to the first day of qualifying) **June 4, 2018** -- 14-day period begins for qualifying officers to accept qualifying papers for statewide, multi-county, county, and district candidates to be processed and filed during the qualifying period.

2018 QUALIFYING AMOUNTS

(This qualifying amount will be paid during the week of qualifying, if not qualifying by petition process)

County Commissioner	\$ 28,778.00 x 6% = \$ 1,726.68
School Board Member	\$ 26,850.00 x 4% = \$ 1,074.00

*Qualifying amounts are calculated by multiplying the salary as of July 1, 2017 of each office by 6% for partisan candidates and 4% for nonpartisan candidates. (F. S. 99.092)