

COUNCIL-MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT - MUNICIPAL

Upon adoption of the managerial form of government, the procedures for electing municipal officers will remain the same as prior to the adoption of 65 ILCS, Article 5. A referendum may be approved by the voters to establish a different type of municipal organization in conjunction with the managerial form.

The council-manager form is the only form of municipal government covered (for election of officers) by Article 5 of 65 ILCS/5. Other cities and villages which have adopted Article 5 and have retained or later adopted the mayor-aldermanic form or the president-trustee village form will follow the provisions under Article 3.1 of 65 ILCS/5 for the election of officers. Cities and villages which have adopted or retained a commission form would follow provisions under Article 4 of 65 ILCS/5 for the election of officers.

Refer to the appropriate section of this guide for either mayor-aldermanic, president-trustee or commission form if the municipality is also a managerial form.

OFFICE: Mayor, Councilmen at-large (and part from districts in some cities), Clerk, Treasurer

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.

Must not be in arrears in the payment of any tax or other indebtedness due the municipality; must not have been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5]

RESIDENCY: One-year residency in the municipality preceding the election. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5]

SIGNATURE

REQUIREMENTS: Cities and villages that retained or later adopted Article 3.1 of 65 ILCS, see Mayor-Alderman and President-Trustee form for signature requirements.

If a city has adopted the nonpartisan form of government as authorized by Article VII of the Constitution, the signature requirements which applies would be those in 10 ILCS 5/10-3 of the Election Code (independent signature requirements) as authorized by the second paragraph of [10 ILCS 5/10-3.1.] (See page 24.)

Signature requirements are governed by the form of government prior to the adoption of Council-Manager.

Council-Manager (formerly Commission):

1% of the total vote cast at the last preceding election in the municipality for mayor. [65 ILCS 5/4-3-8, 5/5-2-12]

Council-Manager (formerly nonpartisan President/Trustee):
1% of the total vote cast at the last preceding election in the village for president.

Council-Manager (formerly a city/village whose candidates ran as independents):

Signature requirements are those set out for independent candidates in 10 ILCS 5/10-3 of the Election Code as authorized by 5/10-3.1 (second paragraph).

PETITION: Nonpartisan SBE No. P-5.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS420/4A-106]

FILING DATES: December 8-15, 2008 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Primary.

WHERE TO FILE: Filed with the municipal clerk. In those cities having a Board of Election Commissioners, with the clerk of that Board.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: The terms of elected municipal officers shall commence at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities during the month of May following the proclamation of the results of the regular municipal election at which such officers were elected, except as may otherwise be provided by ordinance fixing the date for inauguration of newly elected officers later than the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of June following such election. [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-15]

TERM OF
OFFICE:

4 years. The term may be reduced to 2 years by referendum.
[65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-65]. Any municipality of less than 500,000
population who originally voted to shorten terms may submit a
proposition to lengthen terms. 65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-75]

TOWNSHIP

OFFICE: Supervisor, Clerk, Assessor, Multi-Township Assessor, Trustees, and Highway Commissioner

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter. [60 ILCS 1/55-5]
(See assessor qualifications requirements on page 32)

RESIDENCY: One year resident of the township. [60 ILCS 1/55-5]

SIGNATURE

REQUIREMENTS: **Established Political Party Candidates – Primary Election only**
At least .5% (.005) of the qualified primary electors of his party in the township. The number of qualified primary electors is determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for such political party who received the highest number of votes in such township at the last regular election at which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that township.
[10 ILCS 5/7-10(e)]

New Political Party Candidates – Consolidated Election only
Not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the township in which such township voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10ILCS 5/10-3]

Independent Candidates – Consolidated Election only
Not less than 5% nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the last regular elections in the township in which such township voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

Example: If 1,000 voters cast ballots at the last regular election in the township, the formula of 5% – 8% would result in a signature requirement of 50 – 80. Illinois statutes [10 ILCS 5/10-3] require a difference of 50 between the minimum and maximum. Therefore, the signature requirement would be 50 – 100.

PETITION: Established Party – SBE No. P-10 (Primary only)
New Party – SBE No. P-8 (Consolidated Election)
Independent – SBE No. P-3 (Consolidated Election)

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Established Party – SBE No. P-1(Primary)
Established Party – SBE No P-1K (Caucus)
New Party – SBE No. P-1D
Independent – SBE No. P-1B

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions.
SBE No. P-1C.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST: Filed with the county clerk. [5 ILCS 420 (et seq) and 60 ILCS 1/45-30] See page 17.

PRIMARY ELECTION: If a decision to conduct a primary is determined by the Township Central Committee, the Township Central Committee must file a statement of such determination with the county clerk no later than November 15, 2008. If the township or any part of the township is within the jurisdiction of a Board of election commissioners, the Township Central Committee shall notify the Board of Election Commissioners of such determination.
NOTICE: The option to hold a primary only applies to townships in counties having a population of more than 3,000,000, or in townships of more than 15,000 population in counties of less than 3,000,000. [60 ILCS 1/45-55]

CAUCUS: Township Caucus Date – January 13, 2009
Multi-township Caucus Date – January 14, 2009

Caucus nomination papers include: 1) Certification by the Chairman and Secretary of the Township Caucus of the names of all candidates for office in the township nominated at the caucus, 2) a Statement of Candidacy for each candidate, and 3) a receipt from the county clerk showing that each candidate has filed a Statement of Economic Interests by the last day on which nomination papers are filed. Candidates for township assessor and multi-township assessor must also file a certificate of qualifications (see pages 32-33). For a description of township caucus procedures, see SBE Township Caucus Guide for 2009.

The multi-township caucus is conducted by the multi-township political committee for all voters of the party in that district. The procedure is the same as in a single township caucus.

FILING DATES: Nomination by primary election, December 8-15, 2008 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Primary).

New political party and independent candidates file during the January 19-26, 2009 filing period. Caucus certificates of nomination are filed during this filing period.

WHERE TO FILE: Township Clerk's office or Board of Election Commissioners. Multi-township assessor candidates file with the election authority. Candidate's for townships which lie wholly within the jurisdiction of a Board of Election Commissioners file with the Board of Election Commissioners. [60 ILCS 1/45-20(b)]

CAMPAIGN

DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN

PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Township Supervisors and Township Clerks, third Monday of the month following their election -- May 18, 2009. [60 ILCS 1/50-15(b)]

Township Trustees, third Monday of the month following their election and until their successors are elected and qualified – May 18, 2009. [60 ILCS 1/50-40]

Township Assessors and Multi-township Assessors – on January 1 following their election. [35 ILCS 200/2-45(A) and 60 ILCS 1/50-15(c)]

Township Collectors – on January 1 following their election and qualification. [60 ILCS 1/50-15(a)]

Highway Commissioner – third Monday in May after his election and until their successors are elected and qualified – May 18, 2009. [605 ILCS 5/6-116]

TERM OF OFFICE: 4 years and until their successors are elected and qualified. [60 ILCS 1/50-5, 50-10, 50-40]

ASSESSOR QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

All candidates for township or multi-township assessor must file a certificate of qualifications with or prior to their filing of nomination papers pursuant to the provisions of Section 2-45 of the Property Tax code [35 ILCS 200/2-45]. Candidates for township assessor or multi-township assessor cannot be appointed, file nomination papers, or participate as a candidate in a caucus, primary, or general election unless a copy of the certificate of his/her qualifications is filed with the township clerk, board of election commissioners, or the election authority as required by the Election Code [10 ILCS 5/1-1 (et seq)]. Any candidate can qualify by meeting a higher qualification or designation than the minimum requirement for the office for which he/she is a candidate. **Candidates who are filing nomination papers in the year 2008 for the 2009 election, participating in a 2009 caucus or participation as a write-in candidate must meet one of the following minimum education requirements. The educational qualification for township or multi-township assessors is generally based upon the equalized assessed value (EAV) of the assessment jurisdiction.**

In an introductory assessment jurisdiction with \$10 million or less in non-farm EAV and less than \$1 million in commercial and industrial EAV a candidate must possess one of the following qualifications:

1. Passed the **Township Assessor-Introductory Course** offered by the Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR).
2. Passed the **Basic Course** offered by the Illinois Property Assessment Institute prior to January 1, 1997.
3. Possess a designation approved for larger assessment jurisdictions.

In an intermediate assessment jurisdiction with more than \$10 million in non-farm EAV and less than \$25 million in non-farm EAV and less than \$1 million in commercial and industrial EAV, the qualifications will be based upon whether the candidate was previously elected in any such jurisdiction.

1. **If the candidate has not been previously elected** to office in an assessment jurisdiction that in 1994 had more than \$10 million and less than \$25 million in non-farm EAV and less than \$1 million in commercial and industrial EAV in Section 2-45 (d) of the Property Tax Code [35 ILCS 200/2-45 (d)] the candidate must meet one of the requirements for an introductory assessment jurisdiction.
2. **If the candidate was previously elected** to office in an assessment jurisdiction that in 1994 had more than \$10 million and less than \$25 million in non-farm EAV and less than \$1million in commercial and industrial EAV in Section 2-45 (b) of the property tax Code [35 ILCS 200/2-45 (b)] the candidate must meet one of the designation requirements for a larger assessment jurisdiction.

In a larger assessment jurisdiction with more than \$25 million in non-farm EAV or more than \$1 million in commercial and industrial EAV a candidate must possess one of the following designations in Section 2-45 (c) of the Property Tax Code [35 ILCS 200/2-45(c)]:

1. A Certified Illinois Assessment Officer (CIAO) or the Certified Illinois Assessment Officer-Associate (CIAO-A) from the Illinois Property Assessment Institute.
2. A Certified Assessment Evaluator (CAE) or Residential Evaluation Specialist (RES) designation from the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO).
3. A Residential Member (RM), Member Appraisal Institute (MAI), Senior Real Estate Analyst (SREA), Senior Real Property Appraiser (SRPA), or Senior Residential appraiser (SRA) designation from the Appraisal Institute.
4. A Member (IFA), Senior Member (IFAS), or Appraiser-Counselor (IFAC) from the National Association of Independent Fee Appraisers.
5. A Member (ASA) designation from the American Society of Appraisers.

Candidates who are planning to use either the Introductory Course in Assessment Practices or the Certified Illinois Assessing Officer designation will need to contact the Illinois Department of Revenue at (217) 782-6958 for a Certificate of Qualifications. Candidates who are planning to use one of the other approved designations in Section 2-45 will need to request a letter of qualification from those organizations. The letter of qualification from other organizations should specify the type of designation, membership status, and the time period for which the candidate qualifies.

Anyone with questions regarding the educational requirements for township or multi-township assessor may call the Illinois Department of Revenue at (217) 524-5263.

ROAD DISTRICT
(Commission Form Counties)

OFFICE: Highway Commissioner and Road District Clerk. In commission form counties, the district clerk is elected in the same manner as the highway commissioner.

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter. [605 ILCS 5/6-115]

RESIDENCY: One year resident in the district. [605 ILCS 5/6-115]

SIGNATURE

REQUIREMENTS: **Established Political Party Candidates – Primary Election Only**
At least .5% (.005) of the qualified primary electors of his party in the road district. The number of qualified primary electors is determined by taking the total votes cast for the candidate for such political party who received the highest number of votes in such road district at the last regular election at which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that road district. (For the actual number required, contact your Road District Clerk.) [10 ILCS 5/7-10(d)]

New Political Party Candidates – Consolidated Election only
Not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the road district in which such road district voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10 ILLCS 5/10-2]

Independent Candidates – Consolidated Election only
Not less than 5% nor more than 8% (50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the road district in which such road district voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]

Example: If 1,000 voters cast ballots at the last regular election in the township, the formula of 5% – 8% would result in a signature requirement of 50 – 80. Illinois statutes [10 ILCS 5/10-3] require a difference of 50 between the minimum and maximum. Therefore, the signature requirement would be 50 – 100.

PETITION: Established Party – SBE No. P-10
New Party – SBE No. P-8
Independent – SBE No. P-3

STATEMENT OF
CANDIDACY: Established Party – SBE No. P-1
New Party – SBE No. P-1D
Independent: SBE No. P-1B

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions.
SBE No. P-1C.

STATEMENT OF
ECONOMIC
INTEREST: Filed with the county clerk. (See page 17.)

FILING DATES: Nomination by primary election, December 8-15, 2008, not more
than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Primary

For new political party candidates and independents, the filing
period is January 19-26, 2009.

WHERE TO FILE: Road District Clerk

CAMPAIGN
DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections,
1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West
Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such
reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P.
18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN
PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Third Monday in May (May 18, 2009), after the election.
[605 ILCS 5/6-116]

TERM OF OFFICE: Four years, and until a successor is elected and qualified.
[605 ILCS 5/6-116]

PARK DISTRICT

- OFFICE:** Park Commissioner, Trustee
- QUALIFICATIONS:** Qualified elector/registered voter.
- RESIDENCY:** Commissioner must be resident of the Park District at least one year prior to the election. [70 ILCS 1205/2-11]
Pleasure Driveway and Park District trustees shall be legal voters of and reside within the park district. [70 ILCS 1205/2-15]
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:** Signature requirements for general park district commissioners and pleasure driveway and park district trustees: Petition must be signed by not less than 2% of the number of ballots cast at the last election for trustee or commissioner in the district, but in no case by less than 25. [70 ILCS 1205/2-11, 2-17]
- PETITION:** Nonpartisan SBE No. P-4.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:** Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH:** (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:** Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
- FILING DATES:** January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
- WHERE TO FILE:** Park District Secretary.
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:** Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
- FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:** Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
- TERM BEGINS:** Commissioners and Pleasure Driveway and Park District Trustees shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. [70 ILCS 1205/2-12, 2-15]

TERM OF OFFICE:

5 Commissioners: 6-year term. [70 ILCS 1205/2-12]

7 Commissioners: 6-year term, by resolution or referendum. [70 ILCS 1205/2-10(a)]

5-7 Commissioners: 4-year term, by resolution or referendum. [70 ILCS 1205/2-12(a)]

Pleasure Driveway and Park District

President and 6 trustees: 4-year term. [70 ILCS 1205/2-15]

Township Park District

3 Commissioners: 6-year term. [70 ILCS 1205/2-19]

PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

- OFFICE:** Public Library District Board - Trustee
- QUALIFICATIONS:** Qualified elector/registered voter.
- RESIDENCY:** Resident of Public Library District.
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:** A number of qualified voters residing in the district equivalent to at least 2% of the votes cast at the last election for library trustees, or 50, whichever is less. [75 ILCS 16/30-20]
- PETITION:** Nonpartisan SBE No. P-4.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:** Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH:** (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:** Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
- FILING DATES:** January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
- WHERE TO FILE:** Library District Secretary.
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:** Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
- FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT:** Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)
- TERM BEGINS:** The third Monday (May 18, 2009) of the month following the regular election of trustees. [75 ILCS 16/30-10 and 16/30-40] Within 60 days after their election or appointment, the incumbents and new trustees shall meet to organize the board.
- TERM OF OFFICE:** 7 Trustees: 6-year terms. The library board by resolution may change to 4- year terms. [75 ILCS 16/30-10]

LIBRARY (Municipal - Township)

OFFICE: Local Library Board - Trustee (In villages under the Commission form of government, the Library Board of Trustees are appointed by the village council.) [75 ILCS 5/4-2]

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.

RESIDENCY: Resident of incorporated town, village or township involved.
[75 ILCS 5/4-3.3]

SIGNATURE

REQUIREMENTS: Petition must be signed by at least 25 legal voters residing in the incorporated town, village (except a village under the Commission form of government) or township. [75 ILCS 5/4-3.3]

PETITION: Nonpartisan SBE No. P-4.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt.
[5 ILCS 420/4A-106]

FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).

WHERE TO FILE: Appropriate local municipal or township clerk.

CAMPAIGN

DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN

PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Trustees hold office until their successors are elected and qualified.
[75 ILCS 5/4-3.1] Within 60 days after their election the trustees shall meet and organize. [75 ILCS 5/4-6]

TERM OF
OFFICE:

7 Trustees: 6 years for incorporated towns, villages, library boards. (Library Board may change to 4-year terms by resolution.)
[75 ILCS 5/4-3.1]

7 Trustees: 4 years for Township Public Libraries.
[75 ILCS 5/4-3.2]

REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (Regional Office of Education)

OFFICE: Regional Board of School Trustee

The regional board of school trustees, in both single-county and multi-county educational service regions, shall consist of seven members. In single county regions, not more than one trustee may be a resident of any one congressional township; however, in case there are fewer than seven congressional townships in the region, then not more than two of such trustees may be residents of the same congressional township. In two-county regions, at least two trustees shall be residents of each county. In regions of three or more counties, at least one trustee shall be a resident of each county. If more than seven counties constitute the educational service region, the regional board of school trustees consists of one resident of each county.

[105 ILCS 5/6-2]

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter. No person shall be eligible for the office who is not a voter of the Educational Service Region and qualified to vote in the election for members of the Regional Board of School Trustees, or who is a member of a school board, or who is a school board employee or who holds any county office.

[105 ILCS 5/6-3]

RESIDENCY: Must be resident of the educational service region.

[105 ILCS 5/6-3]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: Petition must be signed by at least 50 qualified voters from the educational service region. In addition, the petition shall specify the county and township (or road district) of the candidate's residence.

[105 ILCS 5/6-10]

PETITION: Single county Regional School Trustee: SBE No. P-21A

Multi-county Regional School Trustee SBE No. P-21

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE Form No. P-1A.

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt.

[5 ILCS 420/4A-106]

FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).

WHERE TO FILE: Single county region candidates file with the county clerk.
Multi-county region candidates file with the State Board of Elections.

CAMPAIGN

DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Third Monday in May following election. (May 18, 2009)

TERM OF OFFICE: 7 members: 6-year terms. [105 ILCS 5/6-17]

BOARDS OF EDUCATION

- OFFICE: Board of Education Member
- QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.
- RESIDENCY: Any person who, on the date of election, is a U.S. citizen of the age of 18 or over and a resident of the State and the territory encompassing the district for one year preceding the election is eligible. A member cannot serve as a school trustee or school treasurer. [105 ILCS 5/10-10]
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: Petition must be signed by at least 50 qualified voters or 10% of the voters, whichever is less, residing within the district. [105 ILCS 5/9-10]
- PETITION: Board of Education petition. SBE No. P-7 or P-7A.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
- FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
- WHERE TO FILE: Secretary of Board of Education. **(If the Board Secretary is an incumbent board member seeking re-election, a disinterested person must witness the filing of the Secretary's petition.)**
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Within 28 days after the election. [105 ILCS 5/10-5]

TERM OF OFFICE: 4 years - may be changed to 6 years by referendum.
[105 ILCS 5/9-5]

SCHOOL DIRECTOR
(In districts having a population fewer than 1,000)

and

TOWNSHIP LAND COMMISSIONERS*
(In counties having fewer than 220,000 population)

*In counties of fewer than 220,000 inhabitants containing townships with common school lands, there shall be three land commissioners elected in the same manner as provided for election of school directors. [105 ILCS 5/15-24]

OFFICE: School Director and Township Land Commissioner

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.

RESIDENCY: Any person who, on the date of election, is a U.S. citizen of the age of 18 or over and a resident of the State and the territory encompassing the district for one year preceding the election.
[105 ILCS 5/10-3]

ELIGIBILITY: A land commissioner or director cannot serve as a school trustee or school treasurer. [105 ILCS 5/10-3]

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: Petition must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters or 5% of the voters, whichever is less, residing within the district.
[105 ILCS 5/9-10]

PETITION: Board of Education petition. SBE No. P-7.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal officer of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]

FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).

WHERE TO FILE: School Director candidates file with the Secretary of the Board of School Directors.

Township Land Commissioner candidates file with the Township Land Commissioner's Secretary.

CAMPAIGN

DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: School Directors and Land Commissioners shall meet and organize within 28 days after the election by appointing one of their number president and another clerk. [105 ILCS 5/10-5, 15-24]

TERM OF OFFICE: 4 years [105 ILCS 5/10-1, 10-4]

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF SCHOOLS (Cook County)

- OFFICE:** Trustee of Schools
- QUALIFICATIONS:** Qualified elector/registered voter.
- RESIDENCY:** Resident of township. If there are three or more school districts in a township, no two trustees shall reside, when elected, in the same school district; except that in townships in which at least 90% of the electors reside in one school district, this restriction shall not apply.
[105 ILCS 5/5-3]
- ELIGIBILITY:** No person shall be eligible for the office of trustee of schools and school director or school board member simultaneously.
[105 ILCS 5/5-3]
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:** At least 25 qualified voters of the school township.
[105 ILCS 5/5-4]
- PETITION:** Petition for nomination of township school trustee. SBE No. P-22.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:** Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH:** (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:** Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt.
[5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
- FILING DATES:** January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
- WHERE TO FILE:** Township School Treasurer.
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:** Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Third Monday of month following election. (May 18, 2009)
[105 ILCS 5/5-14]

TERM OF OFFICE: 6 years. [105 ILCS 5/5-13]

BOARD OF EDUCATION

(Under Article 33 - City of Peoria)

- OFFICE: Board of Education Member
- QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.
- RESIDENCY: Resident of district for at least one year immediately preceding the election. [105 ILCS 5/33-2]
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: At least 200 qualified voters of the district. [105 ILCS 5/33-2]
- PETITION: Board of Education petition. SBE No. P-7.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
- FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election)
- WHERE TO FILE: Secretary of the Board of Education.
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
- FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19)
- TERM BEGINS: All terms shall commence July 1, following the election.
- TERM OF OFFICE: 5 years. May be changed to 4-year terms by referendum. [105 ILCS 5/33-1, 33-1(a)]

COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Southwestern Illinois Community College District Trustees (522) and Lincoln Land Community College District Trustees (526) run from separate subdistricts; all others run at-large.

- OFFICE: Trustee
- QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.
- RESIDENCY: Resident of State and the territory encompassing community college district for one year immediately preceding election.
Residency for Lincoln Land Community College (526) must be a resident of the district for one year preceding the election.
[110 ILCS 805/3-7(e)]
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: At least 50 qualified voters or 10% of the voters, whichever is less, residing within the district. [110 ILCS 805/3-7.10]
- PETITION: Community College petition. SBE No. P-6.
Southwestern Illinois Community College. SBE No. P-6A.
Lincoln Land Community College. SBE No. P-6A.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt.
[5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
- FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
- WHERE TO FILE: With the Secretary of the Board of Community College District or designated representative. **If the Secretary is an incumbent board member seeking re-election, a disinterested person must witness the filing of the Secretary's petition.**
[110 ILCS 805/3-7.10]
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)
- FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Following the canvass and within 28 days of the election
[110 ILCS 805/3-8]

TERM OF OFFICE: 6 years. [110 ILCS 805/3-7(b)]
Lincoln Land Community College and SouthWestern Ill Community
College– all districts will receive 4-year terms in 2009.
[110 ILCS 805/3-7(c),(d)]

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

- OFFICE:** Trustee
- QUALIFICATIONS:** Qualified elector/registered voter.
- RESIDENCY:** Resident of the fire protection district. [70 ILCS 705/4(a)]
- NOTE:** In the case of a multi-county district, the number of trustees for each county shall be proportional to the number of district residents from that county in relation to the district's total population. Not more than one trustee can be from a municipality unless that municipality has more than 50% of the population in the district. [70 ILCS 705/4]
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:** 25 registered voters or 5% of the registered voters residing within the district, whichever is less. [10 ILCS 5/10-3.1; 70 ILCS 705/4(a)]
- PETITION:** Nonpartisan petition. SBE No. P-4-2.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:** Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH:** (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:** Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
- FILING DATES:** January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
- WHERE TO FILE:** Secretary of the Fire Protection District.
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE:** Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Third Monday in May following election (May 18, 2009).
[70 ILCS 705/4(a)]

TERM OF OFFICE: 6 years. [70 ILCS 705/4(a)]

FOX WATERWAY AGENCY

- OFFICE: Chairman
2 Directors to be elected from Lake County
1 Director to be elected from McHenry County
- QUALIFICATIONS: Registered voter. [615 ILCS 90/5]
- RESIDENCY: Must be a resident of a member county and the territory of the agency. [615 ILCS 90/5]
- SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: For Directors, at least 200 qualified voters of such county who reside within the territory of the agency. For Chairman, at least 200 qualified voters of **each** member county who reside in the territory. [615 ILCS 90/5]
- PETITIONS: Nonpartisan - SBE No. P-4-1.
- STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.
- LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt. [5 ILCS 420/4A-106]
- FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).
- WHERE TO FILE: Filed with the State Board of Elections. 1020 South Spring St., P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, IL 62708
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: Third Monday (May 18, 2009) of the month following the election.
[615 ILCS 90/5]

TERM OF OFFICE: 4 years. [615 ILCS 90/5]

FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

OFFICE: Commissioner
(In counties with a population of more than 30,000 but less than 90,000)

QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified elector/registered voter.

RESIDENCY: Must be a resident of the forest preserve district. [70 ILCS 805/3.5]

SIGNATURE

REQUIREMENTS: Not less than 5% nor more than 8%, or 50 more than the minimum whichever is greater, of the number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the district or political subdivision in which the district or political subdivision voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area.
[10 ILCS 5/10-3, 10-3.1]

PETITION: Nonpartisan petition. SBE No. P-4.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY: Filed with the nominating petitions. Nonpartisan SBE No. P-1A.

LOYALTY OATH: (Optional) Filed with the nominating petitions. SBE No. P-1C.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. See page 17 regarding the filing of the receipt.
[5 ILCS 420/4A-106]

FILING DATES: January 19-26, 2009 (not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the Consolidated Election).

WHERE TO FILE: With the Secretary of the District.

CAMPAIGN

DISCLOSURE: Original reports must be filed with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601. Copies of such reports must be filed with the local county clerk. (See NOTE on P. 18 on electronic filing)

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT: Filed with the county clerk. (Voluntary - see page 19.)

TERM BEGINS: On the third Monday (May 18, 2009) of the month following the election. [70 ILCS 805/3.5]

TERM OF OFFICE: 5 Commissioners: 4-year terms. [70 ILCS 805/3.5]

OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATING PETITIONS

[10 ILCS 5/10-8 through 10-10.1]

FILING OBJECTION PETITION:

Nomination papers shall be deemed to be valid unless objections are filed in writing (an original and one copy) within five business days after the last day for filing nomination papers. The objector's petitions are filed with the same office in which the nominating petitions are filed.

PROCESSING OBJECTIONS:

Not later than 12:00 noon on the second business day after receipt of the objector's petition, the election authority or local election official, shall transmit by registered mail or receipted personal delivery the Certificate of Nomination or nomination papers and original objector's petition to the chairman of the proper electoral board designated in Section 10-9, or his authorized agent, and shall transmit a copy by registered mail or receipted personal delivery of the objector's petitions, to the candidate whose Certificate of Nomination or nomination papers are objected to, addressed to the place of residence designated in said Certificate of Nomination or nomination papers.

RESPONSIBILITY OF CHAIRMAN OF ELECTORAL BOARD:

Within 24 hours after receipt of the objector's petition, the chairman of the electoral board shall send a call by registered or certified mail to each of the members of the electoral board, the objector, and the candidate, and shall also cause the Sheriff of the county or counties in which such officers and persons reside to serve a copy of such call upon each of the officers and persons.

ELECTORAL BOARD MEETING:

The meeting of the electoral board shall not be less than three nor more than five days after receipt of the objector's petition by the chairman of the electoral board. The Municipal Officers Electoral Board, the Township Officers Electoral Board, and the Education Officers Electoral Board may meet at the location (other than their county courthouse) where the governing body of the municipality, township, or school or community college district, respectively, holds its regularly scheduled meetings, if that location is available; provided that voter records may be removed from the offices of an election authority only at the discretion and under the supervision of the election authority. [10 ILCS 5/10-10]