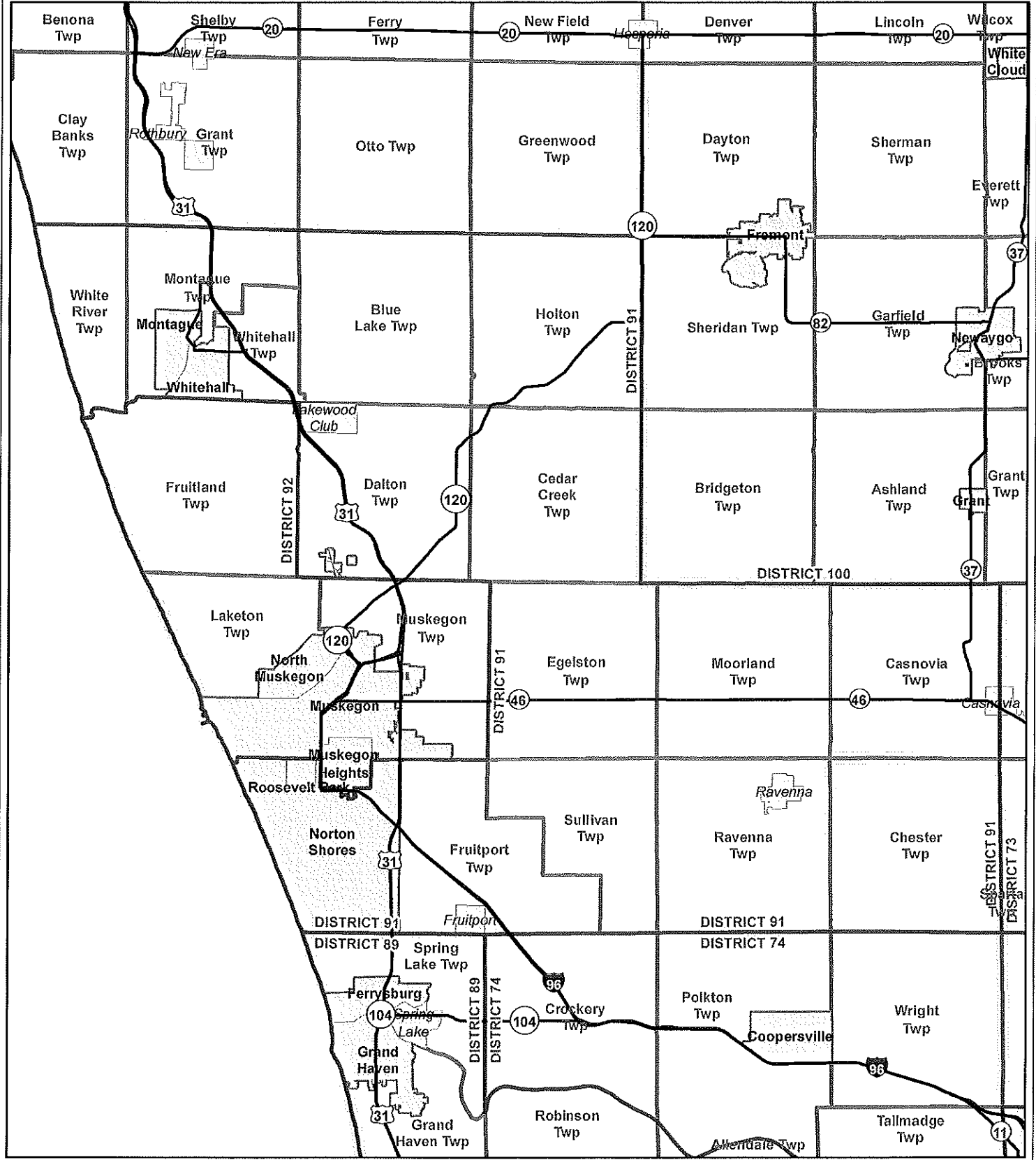


2000 MICHIGAN STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 91

Map Legend

- House
- City
- County
- Township
- Highway



Michigan State House of Representatives

District 091

Muskegon County (part)
Blue Lake township
Casnovia township
Cedar Creek township
Dalton township
Egelston township
Fruitport township
Holton township
Montague city
Montague township
Moorland township
Norton Shores city
Ravenna township
Roosevelt Park city
Sullivan township
White River township
Whitehall city
Whitehall township
Ottawa County (part)
Chester township



STATE OF MICHIGAN
RUTH JOHNSON, SECRETARY OF STATE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
LANSING

Filing Requirements: Office of State Representative
-- 2018 Election Cycle --

Office qualifications: To be eligible for the office of State Representative a person must be a citizen of the United States, at least 21 years of age and a registered and qualified elector of the district he or she wishes to represent by the filing deadline. (Art. IV, Sec. 7, of State Constitution; MCL 168.161)

Filing requirements for candidates seeking the Republican Party, Democratic Party, or Libertarian Party nomination: A candidate who wishes to seek the Republican Party, Democratic Party, or Libertarian Party nomination to the office of State Representative must file an Affidavit of Identity (two originals) and a partisan nominating petition bearing a minimum of 200 valid signatures no later than **4:00 p.m. on April 24, 2018**. Up to 400 signatures can be filed to cover the minimum signature requirement. A \$100.00 filing fee may be submitted in lieu of a petition. (The Affidavit of Identity filing requirement is explained in greater detail below.) (MCL 168.163; 544f)

Such candidates will appear on the August 7, 2018 primary ballot; the winning nominees will appear on the November 6, 2018 general election ballot.

Withdrawal: The deadline for withdrawing a candidate filing for party nomination is **4:00 p.m. on April 27, 2018**. The withdrawal must be in writing and must be filed with the appropriate filing official.

Filing requirements for "no party affiliation" candidates: A candidate without political party affiliation (i.e., a "no party affiliation" candidate) who wishes to seek the office of State Representative must file an Affidavit of Identity (two originals) and a qualifying petition bearing a minimum of 600 valid signatures no later than **4:00 p.m. on July 19, 2018**. Up to 1,200 signatures can be filed to cover the minimum signature requirement. A filing fee option is not available. (The Affidavit of Identity filing requirement is explained in greater detail below.) (MCL 168.590c; 544f)

All signatures submitted on a qualifying petition must have been collected within the preceding 180-day period; signatures which are dated more than 180 days prior to the date the petition is filed are invalid. (MCL 168.590b(3))

Such candidates will appear on the November 6, 2018 general election ballot.

Withdrawal: The deadline for withdrawing a no party affiliation candidate filing is **4:00 p.m. on July 23, 2018**. The withdrawal must be in writing and must be filed with the appropriate filing official.

Filing requirements for minor party candidates: A candidate who wishes to seek the office of State Representative as a minor party candidate must receive nomination to the office at the party's nominating convention. The party's convention must be held no later than August 7, 2018. The minor party must have ballot status in Michigan. (MCL 168.686a(2))

Within one business day after the conclusion of the nominating convention, party officials must submit a Certificate of Nomination to document the individual's nomination to the office, an Affidavit of Identity (two originals completed by the candidate) and a Certificate of Acceptance (completed by the candidate). The Affidavit of Identity filing requirement is explained in greater detail below. The Certificate of Acceptance form is available on the Michigan Department of State's Bureau's Web site: www.Michigan.gov/elections.

Such candidates will appear on the November 6, 2018 general election ballot.

Withdrawal: Candidates nominated and certified via convention shall not be permitted to withdraw. (MCL 168.686a)

Filing requirements for write-in candidates: A candidate who wishes to seek the Republican Party, Democratic Party or Libertarian Party nomination to the office of State Representative with write-in votes must file a Declaration of Intent with the appropriate filing official no later than **4:00 pm. on July 27, 2018.**

A candidate who wishes to seek election to the office of State Representative with write-in votes must file a Declaration of Intent with the appropriate filing official no later than **4:00 p.m. on October 26, 2018.**

The Declaration of Intent form is available on the Michigan Department of State's Bureau's Web site: www.Michigan.gov/elections. (MCL 168.737a)

Filing official: A candidate who seeks the office of State Representative in a multi-county district must file with the following office:

Michigan Department of State
Bureau of Elections
Richard H. Austin Building – 1st Floor
430 West Allegan
Lansing, Michigan 48918

Phone: (517) 373-2540
Fax: (517) 373-0941
Email: elections@michigan.gov

The multi-county State House Districts are listed below:

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| 17 | 32 | 51 | 58 | 59 | 63 | 65 | 66 | 70 | 72 |
| 78 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | 87 | 93 | 97 | 98 | 99 |
| 100 | 101 | 102 | 103 | 105 | 106 | 107 | 108 | 109 | 110 |

A candidate who seeks the office of State Representative in a district not listed above (single-county districts) must file with the local county clerk.

Petition forms: All petitions used by candidates must be in the form required under Michigan election law. Petition forms can be obtained through any county clerk's office or may also be purchased from commercial suppliers that produce election materials. Petition form samples can be obtained through the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections.

The petition forms used by candidates who wish to seek the office of State Representative are listed below:

- **Countywide Partisan Nominating Petition or City/Township Partisan Nominating Petition:** Used by candidates who wish to seek the Republican Party, Democratic Party or the Libertarian Party nomination to the office of State Representative.
- **Countywide Qualifying Petition or City/Township Qualifying Petition:** Used by candidates without political party affiliation (i.e., "no party affiliation" candidates) who wish to seek the office of State Representative.

Affidavit of Identity required: All candidates for State Representative must submit an Affidavit of Identity in duplicate (two originals) when filing for office. Affidavit of Identity forms can be obtained through any county clerk's office or from the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections in Lansing. The Affidavit of Identity form is also available on the Michigan Department of State's Bureau's Web site: www.Michigan.gov/elections. (MCL 168.558)

Candidates who fail to comply with the Affidavit of Identity filing requirement are ineligible to appear on the ballot.

Michigan election law requires any candidate filing an Affidavit of Identity to state on the form that at the date of the affidavit was executed, all statements, reports, late filing fees and fines required of the candidate or any Candidate Committee organized to support the candidate's election under Michigan's Campaign Finance Act have been filed or paid. **Therefore, a candidate may not have any outstanding notices of Failure to File or late filing fees with any filing official in the State.**

Financial disclosure: State and local candidates are required to comply with the financial disclosure requirements provided under Michigan's Campaign Finance Act, P.A. 377 of 1976.

An individual becomes a candidate under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act as soon as he or she:

- Files an affidavit, fee or nominating petition **OR**
- Is certified as the nominee of his or her political party **OR**
- Receives a contribution (**includes contributions from the candidate's own personal funds**), makes an expenditure, or authorizes someone else to do so on his or her behalf **OR**
- Is the subject of a recall vote **OR**
- Was elected to an elective office and can seek re-election.

Once any of the conditions above has been met, a candidate has:

- 10 days to form a Candidate Committee
- 10 additional days to file the Statement of Organization
- **Example: On May 1st an individual pays for copies of petitions to be made; formation date can be no later than May 10th and the Statement of Organization is due in the appropriate filing official's office on or before May 20th**

For further information, contact the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections,
Campaign Finance Division.

Questions: If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Michigan Department
of State's Bureau of Elections. (Contact information is provided above.)

AFFIDAVIT OF IDENTITY AND RECEIPT OF FILING

PLEASE COMPLETE SECTIONS I, II, III AND IV BELOW (Print or Type) – See Reverse Side for Important Notifications

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| OFFICE USE ONLY | Received by _____ Reviewed by _____ Jurisdiction/District of Office Sought _____ | No. of Petition Sheets or Receipt No _____ Date of Filing _____ CFR I.D. No. _____ |
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I. CANDIDATE IDENTIFICATION

Name _____ Birth date _____ / ____ / ____
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Month) (Day) (Year)

Have you changed your name within the last 10 years for reasons other than marriage? Yes No

If yes, enter full former name here (See "Section A" on reverse) _____

I WISH TO HAVE MY NAME APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS PRINTED BELOW (Please print upper & lower case - nicknames/titles not permitted. See "Sec. B" on reverse.)

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Residence Address (Street Address, City, Zip Code): _____ Mailing Address (See "Section C" on reverse): _____
(Street Address) (Street Address)

(City) (Zip) (City) (Zip)

Phone (_____) _____ Email _____ Website _____

City Township of _____ Precinct # (required) _____ and Ward # (if any) _____

County of _____ Resident of County for _____ years. Resident of Michigan for _____ years.

I am a citizen of the United States: Yes No

I am registered and qualified to vote at the address listed above: Yes No

II. OFFICE SOUGHT

Office Title: _____

Date of Election: Primary Election * _____ / ____ / ____ General Election _____ / ____ / ____ Recall
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Month) (Day) (Year)

If a partisan office, list political party* _____ District/Circuit # (if applicable) _____
(Note: If filing a Qualifying Petition list "No Party Affiliation")

Term of Office Regular Term Partial Term Expiring _____ / ____ / ____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

Judicial Candidates Only (See "Section D" on reverse)* Incumbent Position Non-Incumbent Position New Judgeship

III. FILER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT – This filing contains the following (check all that apply):

- Nominating or Qualifying Petitions (Estimated number of signatures: _____)
- Filing Fee of \$100.00 (if applicable)
- Certification of Party Nomination and Certificate of Acceptance (if applicable)*
- Affidavit of Constitutional Qualification (judicial candidates only)*
- Affidavit of Candidacy (incumbent judicial candidates only)*

If nominating petitions are filed:

Destroy petitions in January

Return petitions in January

IV. CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMPLIANCE STATEMENT AND ATTESTATION

• By signing this affidavit, I swear (or affirm) that the facts I have provided are true. I further swear (or affirm) that the facts contained in the statement set forth below are true. (See Section "E" on reverse for further information.)

At this date, all statements, reports, late filing fees, and fines due from me or any Candidate Committee organized to support my election to office under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act, PA 388 of 1976, have been filed or paid.

• I acknowledge that making a false statement in this affidavit is perjury – a felony punishable by a fine up to \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both. (MCL 168.558, 933 and 936)

SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the _____ (Day) Name of Notary _____
 of _____ (Month) (Year) Notary Public, State of Michigan, County of _____
 My commission expires _____
 Acting in the County of _____

Signature of notary public _____

*Not applicable to School Board Candidates

AFFIDAVIT OF IDENTITY

All candidates seeking elective office in Michigan must submit an Affidavit of Identity (two copies) when filing. A candidate who fails to file Affidavits of Identity as required is ineligible to appear on the ballot (MCL 168.558 as amended under PA 163 of 2002).

A. CHANGE OF NAME

Michigan election law, MCL 168.558, stipulates that a candidate who is "not using a name, whether a given name, a surname, or otherwise, that is not a name that he or she was given at birth" must indicate his or her full former name on the Affidavit of Identity. The requirement to indicate a name change on the Affidavit of Identity does *not* apply if:

- The candidate's name was formally changed 10 or more years ago.
- The candidate's name was changed in a Certificate of Naturalization issued by a federal district court 10 or more years ago.
- The candidate's name was changed because of marriage.
- The candidate's name was changed through divorce to a "legal name by which the individual was previously known."

Michigan election law provides that a candidate required to indicate a name change on the Affidavit of Identity must be listed on the ballot "with his or her current name and former name as prescribed by the Secretary of State." (MCL 168.560b)

B. APPEARANCE OF NAME ON BALLOT

Michigan election law provides the following stipulations regarding the manner in which a candidate can have his or her name printed on the ballot:

- A candidate "may specify that both his or her given name and middle name, or only a middle name, shall appear on the ballot."
- A candidate "may specify that either an initial or a recognized diminutive for the candidate's given name or middle name, or for both, shall appear on the ballot."
- A candidate may *not* use a "nickname that is not a recognized diminutive of the candidate's given name or middle name" on the ballot.
- A married person may *not* use his or her spouse's given name, middle name or a diminutive of his or her spouse's given name or middle name on the ballot.
- A candidate may specify a name that constitutes a common law name in accordance with Michigan Department of State Guidelines.

C. MAILING ADDRESS

A candidate who wishes to receive communications from the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections at an address other than his or her residential address should enter a "mailing address" where indicated. (Note: A candidate may list a P.O. Box for his or her "mailing address"; a candidate may *not* list a P.O. Box for his or her residential address.)

If a "mailing address" is listed, it will be shown on the candidate listings prepared and distributed by the Bureau. If a "mailing address" is *not* listed, the candidate's residential address will be shown on the candidate listings prepared and distributed by the Bureau. All candidate listings prepared by the Bureau are posted on the Bureau's website for public access.

D. JUDICIAL CANDIDATES

Place a check in the box before "Incumbent Position" if the candidate is seeking a judicial office for which the incumbent is seeking reelection. Place a check in the box before "Non-Incumbent Position" if the candidate is seeking a judicial office for which the incumbent is *not* seeking reelection. Place a check in the box before "New Judgeship" if the candidate is seeking a newly created judicial seat.

E. CAMPAIGN FINANCE ACT COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Do not sign or submit this affidavit unless you are able to agree with the facts set forth in the "Campaign Finance Compliance Statement" which appears under Section IV on the reverse side of this form. If you need information on your current compliance status under the Michigan Campaign Finance Act, contact the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections and/or the appropriate county clerks as necessary.

Candidates who are exempt from Michigan's Campaign Finance Act are limited to those individuals who seek 1) the office of U.S. Senator or U.S. Representative in Congress 2) a precinct delegate position and 3) a school board position in a district with a pupil count of 2,400 or less. (School board position exemption does not apply if candidate spends or receives over \$1,000.00 for election.)

For information concerning your campaign finance filing obligations, the following resources are provided:

- Candidates running for a federal position should contact the Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. Toll free line: 800.424.9530. Website: www.fec.gov
- Candidates running for a state or judicial position should contact the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections, PO Box 20126, Lansing, Michigan 48901-0726. Phone (517)373-2540. Website: www.michigan.gov/elections
- Candidates running for a local position should contact their local County Clerk's office.

F. WITHDRAWAL OF FILING

Candidates who wish to withdraw a filing submitted for an elective office must submit a written withdrawal statement to their filing official no later than the third day after the applicable filing deadline.

For more information regarding filing for office, visit the Michigan Department of State – Bureau of Elections website at www.michigan.gov/elections and click on Information for Candidates or use the QR code to the right.

