

FEDERAL/STATE 2020

QUALIFYING:

Reference Calendar & Documents



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Key Dates & Times Prior to Election Day

The following list of dates relates to qualifying for office in partisan and nonpartisan races. In addition, the list contains details for write-in candidates, as well as independent/political body candidates. Access documents by clicking on the blue links.

*Offices of Judges of a State Court who have qualified shall be placed on the ballot in a nonpartisan election as provided in O.C.G.A. § 21-2-138.

Date	Day	Description
01/01/2020	Wednesday	FIRST day to file & publish Notice of Intention of Write-In Candidacy (State County) for the November General Election
01/16/2020	Thursday	FIRST day to Circulate Nomination Petition for Independent/Political Body Candidates for the November General Election
03/02/2020	Monday	Qualifying BEGINS for Primary/Nonpartisan/Independent/Political Body Candidates - 9:00 AM
03/06/2020	Friday	Qualifying ENDS for Primary/Nonpartisan/Independent/Political Body Candidates - 12:00 noon
06/24/2020	Monday	FIRST day to File Nomination Petition for Independent/Political Body Candidates for November General Election
07/14/2020	Tuesday	LAST day to File Nomination Petition for Independent/Political Body Candidates for November General Election
09/08/2020	Tuesday	LAST day to file & publish Notice of Intention of Write-In Candidacy (State County) for the November General Election
09/13/2020	Sunday	LAST day for Write-In Candidate to file Publisher's Affidavit

Election Dates & Times

Date	Day	Description
03/24/2020	Tuesday	Presidential Preference Primary and Special Election
04/21/2020	Tuesday	Special Runoff Date
05/19/2020	Tuesday	General Primary Election, Nonpartisan General Election, and Special Election
07/21/2020	Tuesday	General Primary Runoff, Nonpartisan General Runoff Election, and Special Runoff Election Date
11/03/2020	Tuesday	General Election and Special Election
12/01/2020	Tuesday	General Election Runoff Date for Local and State Offices
01/05/2021	Tuesday	General Election Runoff Date for Federal Offices

Qualifying Checklist: Democratic Party of Georgia

Valid Photo I.D.

Payment

- ✓ Money Order or Certified, Campaign, or Personal Check
 - *(Signed affidavit required for money orders & certified checks)*
- ✓ Payable to: Democratic Party of Georgia (Federal and State only)

Documents: *(All documents must be notarized)*

- ✓ [Declaration of Candidacy & Affidavit - STATE](#)

Location, Date, and Time: Federal and State only. **Candidates for county office qualify with the local Elections Superintendent or local party.**

- ✓ Room TBD
- ✓ Begins at 9:00 AM on Monday, March 2, 2020
- ✓ Ends at 12 noon on Friday, March 6, 2020

For additional questions or information, contact the Democratic Party of Georgia at 470-788-8922 or info@georgiademocrat.org.

Qualifying Checklist: Georgia Republican Party

Valid Photo I.D.

Payment

- ✓ Money Order or Certified, Campaign, or Personal Check
- ✓ Payable to: Georgia Republican Party (Federal and State only)

Documents: *(All documents must be notarized)*

- ✓ [Georgia Republican Party Oath](#)
- ✓ [Declaration of Candidacy & Affidavit - STATE](#)

Location, Date, and Time: Federal and State only. Candidates for county office qualify with the local Elections Superintendent or local party.

- ✓ Room TBD
- ✓ Begins at 9:00 AM on Monday, March 2, 2020
- ✓ Ends at 12 noon on Friday, March 6, 2020

For additional questions or information, contact the Georgia Republican Party at 404-257-5559.

Qualifying Checklist:
Independent/Political Body Candidates or Nonpartisan
Candidates

Valid Photo I.D.

Payment

- ✓ Check or Money Order
- ✓ Payable to: Georgia Secretary of State (Federal and State only)

Documents: *(All documents must be notarized).*

- ✓ [Notice of Candidacy & Affidavit - STATE](#)

Location, Date, and Time: Federal and State only (except State Court Judges). State Court Judges and county offices qualify with the local Elections Superintendent.

Georgia Secretary of State Offices

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Suite 802, West Tower 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE Atlanta, GA 30334 (404) 656-2871	237 Coliseum Drive Macon, GA 31217 (478) 207-2440/ (844) 753-7825 (Toll Free)	238 East Second Street Tifton, GA 31794 (229) 391-3732

- ✓ **Begins** at 9:00 AM on Monday, March 2, 2020
- ✓ **Ends** at 12 noon on Friday, March 6, 2020
- ✓ **Daily Times:**
 - Monday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
 - Tuesday - Thursday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
 - Friday - 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon

IMPORTANT:

Please note that all campaign finance filings are processed through the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission. Their website is <http://ethics.ga.gov/> and contains a full listing of campaign reporting forms & requirements.

Qualifying Fees for State and Federal Candidates for 2020 Elections in Georgia

<u>Office</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Presidential Elector	\$50.00	\$1.50
United States Senator	\$174,000.00	\$5,220.00
United States Representative	\$174,000.00	\$5,220.00
Public Service Commissioner	\$121,157.00	\$3,634.71
State Senator		\$400.00
State Representative		\$400.00
Justice of the Supreme Court	\$179,112.00	\$5,373.36
Court of Appeals Judge	\$177,990.00	\$5,339.70
Superior Court Judge	\$128,790.30	\$3,863.70
District Attorney	\$122,473.44	\$3,674.20