

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
BUREAU OF ELECTIONS

**CALENDAR FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 19, 2023
REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE 21ST DISTRICT
IN THE COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY**

1. Writ, prepared by presiding officer,
served on the Secretary of the CommonwealthJuly 19, 2023
(*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 certificatesJuly 19, 2023
(*25 P.S. § 2779*)
3. First day for political bodies to circulate and file nomination
papers nominating candidatesJuly 19, 2023
(*25 P.S. § 2779*)
4. Last day to file nomination certificates and
nomination papers July 31, 2023
(*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 August 3, 2023
(*25 P.S. § 2782*)
6. Last day for Commonwealth Court to set a hearing
on objections: 7 days after deadline for filing August 7, 2023
(*25 P.S. § 2782*)
7. Last day to withdraw: 7 days after the deadline for filing August 7, 2023
(*25 P.S. § 2783*)
8. Last day to file substituted nomination
certificates: 7 days after the deadline for filing August 7, 2023
(*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 August 20, 2023
(*30th day preceding the day fixed for the special election. 25 P.S. § 2786*)

11. Last day to register to vote before the election..... September 5, 2023
(15 days before the special election. 25 P.S. § 3071(b))
12. Last day before the election on which official applications for
civilian absentee and mail-in ballots may be received by the county board of
elections September 12, 2023
(Tuesday before special election. 25 P.S. §§ 3146.2a(a), 3150.12a(a))
13. All civilian absentee ballots must be received by the county board of elections
no later than 8:00 P.M. on this day to be counted..... September 19, 2023
(On the day of the special election. 25 P.S. § 3146.6(a))
14. All mail-in ballots must be received by the county board of elections
no later than 8:00 P.M. on this day to be counted..... September 19, 2023
(On the day of the special election. 25 P.S. § 3150.16(c))
15. Last day for county boards of elections to receive voted military and
overseas absentee ballots September 26, 2023
(By 5:00 P.M. on the 7th day following a primary or election and must be voted no later than
11:59 P.M. on May 15th, 25 P.S. § 3146.8(g)(1) & 25 Pa.C.S. § 3511(a)).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- A. Political Parties, including 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 at least 2% of the largest entire vote cast for any elected officer (except a judge of a court of record), 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 163rd Legislative District is 329.** 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 a person “who is a registered and enrolled member of a party during any period of time beginning with thirty (30) before the primary and extending through the general or municipal election ... shall be ineligible 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 special election. 25 P.S. § 3246(d)).</i>	September 4, 2023	September 8, 2023
24 Hour Reporting <i>(25 P.S. § 3248)</i>	September 5, 2023 <i>(begins)</i>	September 19, 2023 <i>(ends/includes)</i>
30 Day Post-Election <i>(Complete as of 10 days after the special election. 25 P.S. § 3246(e))</i>	September 29, 2023	October 19, 2023

*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.