

**OFFICIAL CALL**  
**Mass Meeting of the Isle of Wight County Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia**  
**March 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 at 7 PM Local Time**  
**Hampton Inn, Smithfield**  
**200 Vincents Crossing**  
**Smithfield, VA 23430**

As Chairman of the Isle of Wight County Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, William E. (Bill) Coburn, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at Hampton Inn, Smithfield, 200 Vincents Crossing, Smithfield, Virginia 23430, or its alternate site, starting at 7:00 PM local time on Monday, March 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 (Registration begins at 6:30 PM local time) for the following purposes:

- A. Electing a Unit Chairman;
- B. Electing members of the Isle of Wight County Committee;
- C. Electing up to 400 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the District Convention of the Third Congressional District, to be held on Saturday, May 9, 2020 at Smithfield Middle School Cafeteria, 14175 Turner Drive, Smithfield, Virginia 23430, beginning at 11:00 AM local time (Registration begins at 9:00 AM local time) for the purpose of
  - 1. Electing a District Chairman;
  - 2. Nominating a Republican candidate for elector for President and Vice-President of the United States to be voted for at the election on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020;
  - 3. Electing three members of the State Central Committee for a term of four years or until their successors are elected;
  - 4. Electing three delegates and three alternate delegates to the Republican National Convention to be held in Charlotte, North Carolina on August 24-27, 2020; and for
  - 5. the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.
- D. Electing up to 400 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the State Convention, to be held on May 1-2, 2020 at the Greater Richmond Convention Center, 403 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, beginning at 2:30 PM local time on 5/1 and 10:00 AM local time on 5/2 for the purpose of
  - 1. Binding Virginia Delegates to the 2020 Republican National Convention as to their choice for President on the first ballot by a Presidential Preference Poll;
  - 2. Electing 12 At-Large Delegates ("National Delegates") and 12 At-Large Alternate Delegates ("National Alternates") to the Republican National Convention to be held on August 24-27, 2020 at the Spectrum Center, Charlotte, NC in (or its alternate site) (the "National Convention");
  - 3. Nominating two Electors At-Large to be voted for in the presidential election on November 3, 2020;
  - 4. Electing a State Chairman;
  - 5. Nominating a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman;
  - 6. And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention.
- E. Such other business as may properly come before the mass meeting.

**Qualifications for Participation**

All legal and qualified voters of the County of Isle of Wight under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required, their intent to support all of its nominees and endorsees for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of

Virginia in this Mass Meeting, subject to the provisions in Article I of the Plan of Organization. Every voting participant in the Mass Meeting shall sign a Statement of Intent, as noted above, before registering to participate.

#### Registration:

Registration will begin at 6:30 PM local time and shall remain open until 7:00 PM local time. Anyone in line at 7:00 PM local time shall be allowed to register. Attendees may also Pre-Register using the "Convention Delegates Pre-Filing Form" on [www.rpv.org](http://www.rpv.org) and if available [www.iowgop.com](http://www.iowgop.com) for quicker processing at the Mass Meeting. Those Pre-Registering must still formally complete their registration on the day of the Mass Meeting.

Mass Meeting participants must present one of the forms of identification listed in § 24.2-643 of the Code of Virginia in order to participate.

In order to defray the costs of the Mass Meeting, participants may pay a voluntary registration fee of \$10.00. Checks should be made payable to the Isle of Wight Republican Party.

#### **Filing Requirements**

Candidates for election or nomination at this Mass Meeting shall file a written statement with William E. (Bill) Coburn by e-mail at [wcoburn@charter.net](mailto:wcoburn@charter.net) by physical or mail delivery at 208 Anna Drive, Carrollton, Virginia 23320. The written statement must be received by the relevant deadline listed below; postmarks are not evidence of receipt by the deadline. The statement must be made on an official filing form, which is available on the RPV website at [www.virginia.gov/events/](http://www.virginia.gov/events/)

Candidates for election as Unit Chair must file a written statement of candidacy with a \$100 filing fee by Friday, March 20, 2020 at 5:00 PM local time.

Candidates for membership to the Isle of Wight County Committee who are current members need only pay their annual dues of \$10.00 or \$20.00 per family by Monday, March 30, 2020 to be considered a candidate. Candidates for membership to the Isle of Wight Committee who are not current members must submit their annual dues of \$10.00 along with an application form by Monday, March 30, 2020.

Candidates for election as delegate or alternate to the State Convention must file the written statement "Convention Delegate Pre-Filing Form" by Monday, March 30, 2020. To assist the operations of the Republican Party of Virginia in supporting unit mass meetings and conventions, and the administration of the state Convention, a Delegate Registration Fee of Thirty-Five Dollars (\$35.00) is requested of each person standing for election as a delegate or alternate delegate to the state Convention. Checks should be made payable to the Republican Party of Virginia. Any delegate who fails to pay the registration fee may participate only in the Presidential Preference Poll.

Candidates for election as delegate or alternate to the Third Congressional District Convention must file the written statement "Convention Delegate Pre-Filing Form" by Monday, March 30, 2020. The registration fee is voluntary and not more than \$20.00. Checks should be made payable to the Third Congressional District Republican Committee.

Only those candidates who have properly Pre-Filed can be nominated at the Mass Meeting. No nominations may be made from the floor of the Mass Meeting for any Delegate, Committee Member, or Unit Chair by virtue of the pre-filing requirements.

#### **Military Members as Delegates**

Military Members (any members of the Virginia National Guard, or the United States Armed Forces, Merchant Marine, or Coast Guard currently serving on active duty) who comply with these filing requirements shall not be required to be

elected, but shall be declared delegates pursuant to Article VIII, Section H. of the Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of Virginia.

Military Member delegates or alternate delegates that are unable to attend the convention in person due to obligations of their official military orders, shall have their votes cast within their unit delegation according to candidate preference ballots. Instructions regarding the casting of candidate preference ballots are available in the Call for the Convention, which is available on the website of the Republican Party of Virginia ([www.virginia.gop/events/](http://www.virginia.gop/events/)).

### **Cancellation**

If not more than the number of persons to be nominated or elected shall file for any office, then such properly filed persons shall be declared nominated or elected as the case may be, and no election will occur for that office. Should all elections be cancelled, the Mass Meeting may also be cancelled. A notice of cancellation will be posted on the website of the Republican Party of Virginia at [www.virginia.gop/events/](http://www.virginia.gop/events/)

Should the Mass Meeting be canceled, the current membership of the Isle of Wight County Committee shall be deemed elected. Any properly submitted and properly notated new applications for membership will be considered at the next General Meeting of the Isle of Wight County Committee.

### **Publication**

This Call shall be posted on the website of the Republican Party of Virginia at [www.virginia.gop/events/](http://www.virginia.gop/events/) and on the IOW GOP website if available at [www.IOWGOP.org](http://www.IOWGOP.org). The Isle of Wight County Committee waived the newspaper publication requirement by a two-thirds vote.

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Paid for and authorized by the Isle of Wight County Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia