

OFFICIAL CALL
Mass Meeting
of the Smyth County Republican Committee
of the Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the Smyth County Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Adam L. Tolbert, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Smyth County Public Library, Marion Branch (Copenhaver Meeting Room), 118 S. Sheffey St., Marion, VA, 24354 (or its alternate location), starting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 28, 2022 (*if mass meeting is cancelled due to inclement weather or other reason, alternate date will be Monday, March 28, 2022*), for the following purposes:

- 1) Electing a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, and members of the Smyth County Republican Committee;
- 2) Electing up to 390 Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention, to be held on Saturday, April 23, 2022 at Wytheville Meeting Center, 333 Community Blvd., Wytheville, VA 24382, or its alternate site, beginning at 10:00 a.m. (with registration opening at 8:30 a.m.) for the purposes of:
 - a) electing a District Chairman of the Ninth Congressional District Republican Committee; and
 - b) for the transaction of other business as may properly come before the Convention.

Each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast for Governor and President at their last election, so that Smyth County is entitled to 78 Delegate Votes;

- 3) And, for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Smyth County 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 for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions or primaries encompassing their respective election districts.

In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, unless otherwise stipulated by the appropriate Official Committee, a person otherwise qualified hereunder shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five years.

A single exception to this shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of this writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. Any voter that utilizes the forgoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception thereafter.

Voters may be required to produce a valid form of photo identification acceptable for voting purposes in order to participate.

Filing Requirements for Mass Meeting

Candidates for election as Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, or Secretary of the Smyth County Republican Committee are required to pre-file their intention to seek such offices. A written statement of intent containing the following details shall be required: full legal name, office sought, physical and mailing address, email address, and

telephone number. Such statement must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 11, 2022 in person or by mail to Jeff Hutton, Candidate Filing Coordinator, Smyth County Republican Committee, 143 Cemetery Street, Marion, VA 24354 (phone 276-783-4309). Postmarks shall not govern. No statements in any form will be accepted after the aforementioned deadline.

Individuals seeking to be delegates or alternates to the District Convention or members of the Smyth County Republican Committee are not required to pre-file. Individuals wishing to be elected delegates or alternates to the District Convention should attend the Mass Meeting or contact Jeff Hutton, Candidate Filing Coordinator, by phone at 276-783-4309 or email info@smythgop.org, prior to the Mass Meeting date for information on how to be considered for election at the Mass Meeting.

Registration Fees for Mass Meeting & Conventions

There will be no required registration fee to participate in the Smyth County Republican Committee Mass Meeting. There is a mandatory registration fee of \$10 for the Ninth Congressional District Republican Convention. Fees are requested to be paid at the time of filing for election as a Delegate.

Paid for & Authorized by the Smyth County Republican Committee

Adam L. Tolbert, Chairman (276) 496-5246

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