

**OFFICIAL CALL**  
**Quadrennial Convention of the 2nd Congressional District**  
**of the Republican Party of Virginia**  
**Location: Chesapeake Conference Center**  
**700 Conference Center Drive, Chesapeake VA**  
**Saturday August 6, 2022 at 9:00 A. M. Local Time**

Issued: March 18, 2022

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**Call to Convene**

As Chairman of the 2nd Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia and pursuant to the RPV Plan of Organization (State Party Plan) and as recommended and directed by the District Committee, I, Dennis E. Free do hereby issue this Call for a District Quadrennial Convention to be held at Chesapeake Conference Center, 700 Conference Center Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia or its alternate site determined at the discretion of the Chairman, starting at 11 AM local time on Saturday August 6, 2022, with registration beginning at 9 AM local time for the following purposes:

1. Electing a Chairman for the 2nd Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia.
2. For the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

**Qualifications for Participation**

All legal and qualified voters of the 2nd Congressional District 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 November 8, 2022 election may, as members of the Republican Party of Virginia, be elected as delegates or alternate delegates to this convention, subject to the provisions in Article I of the State Party Plan. Delegates and alternate delegates must present one of the forms of identification listed in § 24.2-643 of the Code of Virginia in order to participate.

### **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) may be certified as delegates by complying with the procedures detailed in a Unit's call pursuant to Art. VIII, Sec. H, para. 6 of the State Party Plan. 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.

Candidate preference ballots will be made available by the District no later than July 29, 2022. Candidate preference ballots must be received by the District Chairman no later than July 31, 2022 (three days prior to convention) by e-mail to [dfree216@gmail.com](mailto:dfree216@gmail.com) or by physical delivery to Dennis Free, 2348 Huckleberry Trail, Virginia Beach, VA, 23456. Postmarks shall not govern.

### **Composition of Convention**

Delegate votes are allocated to the units (counties and cities) in the District as follows: Each unit is allocated one (1) delegate vote for each 250 votes or major portion thereof cast for the Republican nominee in the last preceding Gubernatorial and Presidential elections combined; provided that each unit shall be allocated at least one delegate vote.

Delegates and alternate delegates shall be elected in unit mass meetings, party canvasses or conventions called in conformity with the State Party Plan. Each unit may elect no more than five delegates and five alternate delegates for each delegate vote allocated.

No "Slating". With the exception where a unit has more qualified State, District or Legislative District Convention delegate candidates than may be elected ("Overfiles"), all delegate candidates who meet the requirements of Article I of the State Party Plan and, where required, any prefiling requirements, shall be deemed elected unless there are individual votes on each candidate not to be elected. In the event of Overfiles, a unit shall elect not less than the total number of delegates allowed under the Plan. The Convention may refuse to seat delegations from units not following these procedures.

## **Certification of Delegates**

Delegates and alternate delegates to the Convention shall be certified to the Convention, in the case of those selected by a Mass Meeting or Convention, by the permanent chairman and permanent secretary of the Mass Meeting or Convention; or in the case of those selected by a Party Canvass, or those declared elected pursuant to the call of a cancelled Mass Meeting, Party Canvass, or Convention, they shall be certified by the chairman of the unit committee.

Certifications must be delivered to the District Chairman and Secretary no later than July 29, 2022 (as indicated in Art. VIII, Section H.1.c of the State Party Plan). After this deadline, no change may be made except that an alternate delegate may take the place of a delegate. Certifications may be delivered by e-mail to the District Chairman and District Secretary at [dfree216@gmail.com](mailto:dfree216@gmail.com) or by physical delivery to Chairman Dennis Free, 2348 Huckleberry Trail, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Certifications must include at least the name and address appearing on the voter registration rolls of each delegate and alternate, as well as an indication of which delegates or alternates, if any, are Military Members certified as delegates pursuant to Art. VIII, Sec. H, para. 6 of the State Party Plan, so that the eligibility of such delegates or alternates to have their votes cast by candidate preference ballot may be determined.

A copy of the published call of the unit Mass Meeting, Party Canvass, or Convention, and the date of publication must be provided with the certification.

Unless the certification states how an allocation of votes is to be fractionalized, the delegates present, and voting may cast the full vote of the delegation.

Unless the certification includes an order from the Mass Meeting, Party Canvass, or Convention establishing a different method, the delegates from the unit shall designate which alternate shall vote in place of an absent delegate.

The District Chairman (via the Credentials Committee) shall be responsible for preparing from the certifications a roll of delegates and alternate delegates which shall govern the procedures of the Convention, unless and until changed by the Convention.

Unit Chairmen shall make available, upon request, to a duly filed candidate for public or party office to be filled at the convention the list of delegates, including addresses within 14 days of the delegates election if 250 or fewer delegates are elected or within 21 days if more than 250 delegates have been elected.

## **Filing Requirements**

Candidates for election for Chairman shall submit the completed and signed relevant filing form and pay the filing fee with the Chairman Bruce Johnson, Nominations Committee Chairman, by physical delivery at 2955 Virginia Beach Blvd., #105, Virginia Beach, VA, 23452. Mr. Johnson can be contacted at 757-560-1734 to arrange for a hand delivery. The filing form and filing fee must be received by 5:00 p.m. local time, March 25, 2022. Filing documents can be mailed but Postmarks shall not govern timely filing. The official filing form is included with this document. Only original documents are accepted for filing. Candidates must meet the requirements of the State Party Plan.

Payments are to be in the form of checks made out to the Second Congressional District, Republican Party of Virginia. A returned or invalid check for any reason shall disqualify a candidate.

If only one person properly files as a candidate for election at the Convention and such persons meet the requirements of Article I of the State Party Plan, the Nominations Chair shall advise the District Chair that only one candidate qualifies for election. Upon notice that only one candidate qualified for election convention shall be cancelled by the District Chairman and the unchallenged nominee shall be declared the winner.

No nominations for any office to be filled by the Convention may be made from the Floor.

## **Publication of the Call**

This Call shall be posted on the website of the Republican Party of Virginia (rpv.org) and issued by the District Chairman to the Chairman of all unit committees included in the 2nd District.

## **Convention Registration**

Registration will begin at 9 AM and will close at 11 am. Any person in line when the registration closes will be permitted to register. All participants shall present a proper ID at the time of registration.

## **Convention Voting**

The Convention will open at 11:00 AM. for the election of Convention Officers and adoption of rules. No other election shall occur prior to noon.

Unless the unit certification includes an order from the Mass Meeting, Party Canvass, or Convention establishing a different method, the delegates from the unit shall designate which alternate shall vote in place of an absent delegate.

**Official Documents**

In accordance to the party plan the below chart indicated the maximum number of delegates permitted to each unit and the voting weight of each unit for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District Convention.

<b>Unit Name</b>	<b>Voting Weight</b>	<b>Max Number of Delegates</b>
Accomack	68	340
Suffolk City	150	750
Isle of Wight	103	515
Franklin City/Southampton	41	205
Chesapeake City	301	1505
Virginia Beach City	768	3840
Northampton	22	110

OFFICIAL

SECOND DISTRICT CHAIRMAN  
DECLARATION AND STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS  
2022 CONVENTION

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby indicate my intention to seek election as the Second Congressional District Chairman. I have enclosed the nonrefundable \$1500 filing fee payable to the Second Congressional District Committee, Republican Party of Virginia.

In accordance with the Qualifications set forth in the official call and Article I of the Plan of Organization, I also do hereby certify that I am a registered voter in Virginia's Second Congressional District, I am in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, and I intend to support all the Nominees of the Republican Party during my term as Second District Chairman.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Virginia, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Complete this form and return it by mail or in person with the filing fee to: Mr. Bruce Johnson, Nominations Committee Chairman, by physical delivery at 2955 Virginia Beach Blvd., #105, Virginia Beach, VA, 23452. Mr. Johnson can be contacted at 757-560-1734 to arrange for a hand delivery. This form must be received no later than 5 PM, Local Time on March 25, 2022. Postmarks will not govern.

Certified as received

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Paid for and authorized by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District Republican Committee of Virginia