

As Chairman of the Bristol, Virginia Republican Committee, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Jacob Holmes, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Bristol, Virginia City Hall, 300 Lee St, Suite 202, Bristol, Virginia 24201, or alternate location, starting at 7:00 PM on Thursday, April 22, 2021, for the following purposes:

- a) Electing Delegates to the Republican Party of Virginia's State Convention, to be held on May 8th beginning at 9:00 AM for the purposes of nominating a Republican candidate for Governor, Lt. Governor, and Attorney General. Each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes for Governor and President at their last election, so that City of Bristol is entitled to 33 Delegate Votes.
- b) And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the mass meeting.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Bristol City 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 personal identification such as a valid driver's license or voter registration card in order to participate in a mass meeting or convention.

Filing Requirements

Individuals seeking to be a delegate must submit a specified pre-filing form in order to seek election at the Mass Meeting. The prefiling form must be filed no later than 7:00 PM on April 15, 2021 by mail, email, or in person to Jacob Holmes, Chairman, 723 Prospect Avenue, Bristol, Virginia 24201, or <u>chairman@bristolvagop.org</u>. Postmarks will not be considered.

The specified form to file for a nomination and is available online at www.bristolvagop.org or by calling (276) 492-8703. Only those who have pre-filed will be considered for nomination at the Mass Meeting. No other nominations from the floor will be in order. If fewer than the maximum number of Delegates that Bristol is entitled to at any convention pre-file, all properly pre-filed candidates shall be declared elected. If there are no contested offices to be voted upon at the mass meeting, then no mass meeting will be held.

Filing/Registration Fees

There will be no required filing or registration fees to participate in or seek election at the Bristol, Virginia Republican Mass Meeting.