

OFFICIAL CALL

Party Canvass of the 30th State Senate District Republican Party of Virginia

As Chairman of the 30th State Senate District of the Republican Party of Virginia, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Robin Whitworth, do hereby issue this call for a Party Canvass to be held at the Mount Vernon Governmental Center, 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM local time on June 1, 2019, for the purpose of nominating a Republican candidate for Senator, Virginia State Senate, to be voted for in the November 5, 2019 general election.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of the 30th State Senate 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 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.

A government-issued photo ID will be required as proof of identity to participate in the canvass. Additionally, prior to receiving a ballot, all participants will sign a statement of intent, expressing that he or she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future.

Any voter who, subsequent to making a statement of intent, publicly supports a candidate in opposition to a Republican nominee is not qualified to participate as a member of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions, or primaries for a period of four (4) years.

Balloting

Balloting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end at 2:00 p.m., except that anyone in the registration line at 2:00 p.m. may continue the voting process.

In order to receive a ballot, the voter must present a valid, non-expired photo identification issued by the Commonwealth of Virginia, one of its political subdivisions, or the United States government.

A statement of intent, properly completed and signed by the voter, must be submitted at the time of registration. No ballot will be given to any voter who has not signed and submitted this statement of intent.

No absentee voting, proxies, or provisional ballots are permitted.

No registration fees are required for voting in this party canvass.

Votes will be counted only for those candidates whose names appear on the official ballot. No write-in votes will be permitted. Any ballot with more than one candidate name marked will be declared invalid.

The canvass will be governed by (giving precedence as listed): the Republican Party of Virginia Party Plan, the Call of the Canvass, and the Rules adopted by the Tenth Congressional District Republican Committee.

The nomination will be decided by the plurality of the valid votes cast. The vote will not be weighted.

Candidate Filing Requirements

Any person seeking election as the 30th District Republican Nominee for Senator, Virginia State Senate must submit:

- 1) a copy of the completed and signed Certificate of Candidate Qualification Form – General Assembly (SBE-501) with your social security number redacted;
- 2) a petition of support for the candidate with signatures and legible names and addresses of 250 legal and qualified voters of the Virginia 30th State Senate District; and
- 3) a non-refundable filing fee of \$250.00 (two hundred and fifty dollars), paid by valid check or money order.

Submissions are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, to Robin Whitworth, Chairman, Virginia 30th State Senate District Republican Committee, 4817 Stillwell Ave, Alexandria, VA 22309. Actual receipt of the documents and fee is required. Postmarks will not count. Incomplete, late, or modified filing forms, and/or filing forms accompanied by an invalid check, will be returned, and the individual will be deemed to have not filed for candidacy. Mr. Whitworth can be contacted at 703-973-3458.

The Certificate of Candidate Qualification Form – General Assembly (SBE-501) can be downloaded from the Virginia Department of Elections website, <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/candidatepac-info/candidate-forms/index.html>.

If no candidates submit the required documents and fee by the filing deadline, then the Party Canvass will be canceled. If only one candidate submits the required documents and fee by the filing deadline and is deemed qualified, then the Committee Chairman may, at his discretion, declare that candidate to be the Republican nominee and then cancel the Party Canvass.