

OFFICIAL CALL
Quadrennial Convention of the 1st Congressional District
of the Republican Party of Virginia
Location: Caroline County High School
19155 Rogers Clark Boulevard Milford, Virginia 22514-2055
Saturday June 13, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Local Time

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Call to Convene

As Chairman of the 1st 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, Robert A. Watson do hereby issue this Call for a District Quadrennial Convention to be held at Caroline County High School, 19155 Rogers Clark Boulevard Milford, Virginia 22514-2055 or its alternate site determined at the discretion of the Chairman, starting at 1:00 p.m. local time on Saturday June 13th, 2020, with registration beginning at 10:30 a.m. local time for the following purposes:

1. Electing a Chairman for the 1st Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia;
2. Electing three (3) members of the State Central Committee for a term of four years or until their successors are elected;
3. Electing three (3) delegates and three (3) alternate delegates to the Republican National Convention to be held in Charlotte, NC on August 24-27, 2020;
4. Electing one (1) Republican candidate for elector for President and Vice President of the United States to be voted for at the election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020; and
5. for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of the 1st 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 3, 2020 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.

To assist with the operations and the administration of the Convention, a candidate filing fee of \$5.00 is requested of each person standing for election as a delegate or alternate delegate to the District Convention. Failure to pay the requested filing fee will not result in disqualification.

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 Committee no later than May 24, 2020 (20 days prior to the convention) on the 1st Congressional District Republican Committee website, va01republicans.org, or upon a request by email to va01gop@gmail.com. Candidate preference ballots must be received by the District Chairman no later than June 10, 2020 (three days prior to convention) by e-mail to va01gop@gmail.com or by physical delivery to Bob Watson, 6093 Spindle Tree Court, Woodbridge, VA 22193.

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 unless

there are individual votes on each candidate not to be elected. In the event of Overfiles, delegate candidates who have not paid the requested filing fee shall not be elected unless all delegate candidates who have paid the fee and who are qualified under Article I of the State Party Plan shall have been elected first. 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 earlier than April 15, 2020 (the due date to the RPV) and no later than June 6, 2020 (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 va01gop@gmail.com, or by physical delivery to Chairman Bob Watson, 6093 Spindle Tree Court, Woodbridge, VA 22193 or Secretary Edgar Dolman, 2412 Mila Road, Heathsville, VA 22473.

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 all contact information provided by the delegates 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 or nomination at the Convention shall submit the completed and signed relevant filing form and filing fee with the Chairman, Nominations Committee, William Card by physical delivery at 16704 Ostenbury Court, Dumfries, VA 22025, or by e-mail at va01_nominations@pwcgop.gop (signed and scanned). The filing form and filing fee must be received by 5:00 p.m. the date of the deadline; postmarks are not evidence of receipt by the deadline. Candidates shall use the official 1st District filing form, which is provided with this Call and is available on the 1st District website, va01republicans.org.

Candidates for election as District Chairman shall submit the relevant filing form by April 2, 2020 and shall include with their filing form a check or evidence of payment of a \$500 filing fee.

Candidates for election as member of the State Central Committee shall submit the relevant filing form by April 2, 2020 and shall include with their filing form a check or evidence of payment of a ~~\$250~~ \$150 filing fee.

Candidates for nomination for Elector shall submit the relevant filing form by April 2, 2020 and shall include with their filing form a check or evidence of payment of a \$100 filing fee.

Candidates seeking election at the District Convention for Delegate/Alternate Delegate to the Republican National Convention (RNC) must submit the relevant filing form by April 2, 2020 and shall include with their filing form a check or evidence of payment of a \$250 filing fee. Candidates may seek election for Delegate/Alternate Delegate to the RNC at the RPV State Convention, or at the District Convention, but not both.

If the number of persons pre-filing as candidates for election at the Convention does not exceed the number to be elected or nominated for a particular office, once the appropriate Convention Committee determines that such persons meet the

requirements of Article I of the State Party Plan, the Convention Chair shall declare them elected or nominated.

No nominations for offices to be filled by the Convention may be made from the Floor except upon the vote of two-thirds (2/3) of those delegates present.

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 1st District.

Convention Registration

Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will close thirty (30) minutes after the presiding officer convenes the convention. Any person in line during this 30 minute period immediately after the convention is convened will be issued a numbered registration pass, and registered in order of number. Persons arriving after this 30 minute grace period expires will not be allowed to register. All participants shall present a photo ID at the time of registration.

Convention Voting

The Convention will open at 1:00 p.m. for the election of Convention Officers and adoption of rules. No other election shall occur prior to 2:00 p.m.

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

Attached to this Official Call is the Official Convention Filing Form (District Chairman, State Central Committee, National Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Elector)

Table of Unit Delegate Voting Strength

County/City	Delegate Vote	County/City	Delegate Vote
Caroline	46	Mathews	25
Essex	19	Middlesex	26
Fauquier	31	New Kent	56
Fredericksburg City	25	Northumberland	31
Gloucester	86	Prince William	234
Hanover	270	Richmond County	15
King and Queen	15	Spotsylvania	50
King George	47	Stafford	220
King William	40	Westmoreland	30
Lancaster	25	Williamsburg/James City County	128
		TOTAL	1,419

Authorized and Paid for by the 1st Congressional District Republican Committee