



## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth  
Elections Division

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Local Election Officials of the 19<sup>th</sup> Suffolk District  
**FROM:** Elections Division  
**RE:** Special Election for State Representative  
**DATE:** January 4, 2021

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The House of Representatives has ordered a special election to be held on **March 30, 2021** to fill the vacancy in the 19<sup>th</sup> Suffolk District caused by the resignation of Speaker Robert A. DeLeo. The primary will be held on **March 2, 2021**.

Enclosed please find pre-made packets containing calendars and 15 nomination papers for the special election. The packets for party candidates contain 15 **white** party nomination papers and the packets for non-party candidates contain 15 **yellow** non-party nomination papers. Each also includes a booklet published by this office entitled *A Candidate's Guide to Special Elections*, and a calendar of deadlines.

Prior to distributing papers, all candidates must be asked whether they are enrolled in a party – Democratic or Republican. Party candidates must be given the packet with the **white** party nomination papers. Candidates who are unenrolled or who are members of a political designation must be given the packet with the **yellow** non-party nomination papers.

It is the practice of this office to request that any person taking out nomination papers leave a name and contact information for the candidate, so that they can be reached if necessary. We have provided a form to you for this purpose. Please fax a copy of your sign-out sheets at the end of each day that a new candidate is added to 617-742-3238 or email a scanned copy to [elections@sec.state.ma.us](mailto:elections@sec.state.ma.us).

Please remember to inform candidates that they must complete all information in the gray box on the nomination papers **prior** to circulation of such papers! Please DO NOT complete the information for the candidates.

Additional nomination papers may be obtained from the Elections Division in person or by telephone. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Elections Division at 617-727-2828 or 1-800-462-VOTE.

# Special State Election

## 19<sup>th</sup> Suffolk Representative District\*

(to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Representative Robert A. DeLeo)

October 27, 2020	Last day for a person running in the state primary to enroll in a party or for a person running only in the state election to unenroll from a party, except for newly registered voters.
<b>January 19, 2021</b>	<b>5:00 P.M. last day and hour for submitting nomination papers to local Registrars of Voters or Election Commissioners for the certification of signatures.</b>
January 25, 2021	Certification of nomination papers must be completed.
<b>January 26, 2021</b>	<b>5:00 P.M. last day and hour for filing nomination papers, including enrollment certificate and State Ethics Commission receipt, with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.</b>
January 29, 2021	5:00 P.M. last day and hour for filing withdrawals of or objections to all nomination papers and certificates of nomination with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.
February 3, 2020	5:00 P.M. last day and hour for filling vacancies caused by withdrawals for primary candidates.
February 10, 2021	Last day to register voters for the state primary; registration hours 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. (except in towns under 1500 registered voters, registration hours 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. and 7:00 to 8:00 P.M.).
<b>March 2, 2021</b>	<b>State Primary</b>
March 8, 2021	5:00 P.M. last day and hour for filing withdrawals of or objections to nominations made at the state primary and for filing written acceptances by write-in or sticker candidates who won in the state primary with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.
March 10, 2021	Last day to register voters for the state election; registration hours 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. (except in towns under 1500 registered voters, registration hours 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. and 7:00 to 8:00 P.M.).
March 11, 2021	5:00 P.M. last day and hour for filling vacancies caused by withdrawals at the state primary.
<b>March 30, 2021</b>	<b>State Election</b>

Please see "A Candidate's Guide to Special Elections" available from:

Elections Division  
One Ashburton Place, Room 1705  
Boston, Massachusetts 02108-1512  
617.727.2828 or 1.800.462.VOTE

For information about campaign contributions and expenses please contact:

Office of Campaign and Political Finance  
One Ashburton Place, Room 411  
Boston, Massachusetts 02108  
617.979.8300 or 1.800.462.OCPF

\*Suffolk County:

REVERE: Ward 1: Precincts 1, 2;  
Ward 2;  
Ward 3: Precincts 2, 3;  
Ward 5: Precinct 3;

Winthrop