State of South Carolina

State Election Commission

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In South Carolina, the political parties certify that their candidates are qualified or will be qualified by the date of the election. The responsibility of qualification rests with the political party. See attached letters and law below (emphasis added). Please contact the S.C. Democratic Party for specific qualification documentation.

SC Code of Laws 7-13-350 Certification of candidates; verification of qualifications.

(A) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the nominees in a party primary or party convention held under the provisions of this title by any political party certified by the commission for one or more of the offices, national, state, circuit, multi-county district, countywide, less than countywide, or municipal to be voted on in the general election, held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November, must be placed upon the appropriate ballot for the election as candidates nominated by the party by the authority charged by law with preparing the ballot if the names of the nominees are certified, in writing, by the political party chairman, vice-chairman, or secretary to the authority, for general elections held under Section 7-13-10, not later than twelve o’clock noon on August fifteenth or, if August fifteenth falls on Saturday or Sunday, not later than twelve o’clock noon on the following Monday; and for a special or municipal general election, by at least twelve o’clock noon on the sixtieth day prior to the date of holding the election, or if the sixtieth day falls on Sunday, by twelve o’clock noon on the following Monday. Political parties nominating candidates by primary or convention must verify the qualifications of those candidates prior to certification to the authority charged by law with preparing the ballot. The written certification required by this section must contain a statement that each candidate certified meets, or will meet by the time of the general election, or as otherwise required by law, the qualifications for the office for which he has filed. Any candidate who does not, or will not by the time of the general election, or as otherwise required by law, meet the qualifications for the office for which he has filed shall not be nominated and certified, and such candidate’s name shall not be placed on a general, special, or municipal election ballot.

(B) Candidates for President and Vice President must be certified not later than twelve o’clock noon on September tenth to the State Election Commission, or if September tenth falls on Sunday, not later than twelve o’clock noon on the following Monday.

Sincerely,

Garry Baum
TO: South Carolina Election Commission
FROM: Carol Fowler, Chair
DATE: August 14, 2008
SUBJECT: Certification of Candidates

In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws 7-13-350 and 7-11-15, as amended, the South Carolina Democratic Party is pleased to submit our list of Democratic candidates for the 2008 general election ballot.

The South Carolina Democratic Party certifies that each candidate meets, or will meet by the time of the general election, or as otherwise required by law, the qualifications for the office for which he/she has filed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 803-799-7798.
OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the National Convention of the Democratic Party of the United States of America, held in Denver, Colorado on August 25 though 28, 2008, the following were duly nominated as candidates of said Party for President and Vice President of the United States respectively:

For President of the United States

Barack Obama
5046 South Greenwood Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60615

For Vice President of the United States

Joe Biden
1209 Barley Mill Road
Wilmington, Delaware 19807

Nancy Pelosi
Chair, Democratic National Convention

Alice Travis Germond
Secretary, Democratic National Convention

City and County of Denver )
State of Colorado )

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the City and County of Denver, State of Colorado, this 28th day of August, 2008.

SHALIFA A. WILLIAMSON
Notary Public
State of Colorado
My Commission Expires September 06, 2011

September 6, 2011
Commission expiration date