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1988 ELECTION DATES TO REMEMBER

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY	MARCH 8, 1988
FIRST PRIMARY	SEPTEMBER 6, 1988
SECOND PRIMARY	OCTOBER 4, 1988
GENERAL ELECTION	NOVEMBER 8, 1988

DATES FOR CANDIDATES TO QUALIFY

CANDIDATES FOR POLITICAL PARTY STATE AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES Noon July 11, 1988 through Noon July 15, 1988

CANDIDATES FOR FEDERAL OFFICE
Noon July 11, 1988 through Noon July 15, 1988

CANDIDATES FOR STATE, MULTI-COUNTY, COUNTY, DISTRICT AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL OFFICES

Noon July 18, 1988 through Noon July 22, 1988

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES
Noon July 18, 1988 through Noon July 29, 1988

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE PRESIDENT

July 12, 1988 through Noon July 19, 1988

DATES REGISTRATION BOOKS CLOSE FOR 1988 ELECTIONS

Presidential Preference PrimaryFe	ebruary 6, 1988
Primary Elections	ugust 6, 1988
General ElectionO	ctober 8, 1988

1988 CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES

FOR CANDIDATES

QUARTERLY REPORTS

DUE DATES

COVERING PERIOD

January 10, 1988 April 10, 1988 July 10, 1988 October 1 — December 31, 1987 January 1 — March 31, 1988 April 1 — June 30, 1988

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DEADLINES FOR FILING QUARTERLY REPORTS FALL ON SUNDAY. In order to timely file a report and not be subject to a fine, the filing must fall within one of the three following categories:

- 1. Delivered to the filing officer's office by 5:00 p.m. of the Friday preceding the filing deadline;
- 2. Postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than Midnight of the filing deadline; or
- 3. Mailed & a Certificate of Mailing, Form 3817, obtained from & dated by the U.S. Postal Service at the time of mailing. The certificate must be dated on or before filing deadline.

October 27, 1988 - 90 Day Report for unopposed candidates after qualifying

FIRST PRIMARY

 August 5, 1988
 July 1 — July 29, 1988

 August 19, 1988
 July 30 — August 12, 1988

 September 2, 1988
 August 13, — September 1, 1988

December 5, 1988 — 90 Day Report for unopposed and defeated candidates after First Primary

SECOND PRIMARY

September 16, 1988 September 2 — September 9, 1988 September 30, 1988 September 10 — September 29, 1988

January 2, 1989 — 90 Day Report for unopposed and defeated candidates after Second Primary

GENERAL ELECTION

October 21, 1988 September 30 — October 14, 1988 November 4, 1988 October 15 — November 3, 1988

February 6, 1989 - 90 Day Report for all candidates in the General Election

DEADLINE FOR FILING

Reports shall be filed not later than 5 p.m. of the day designated; however, any report postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than midnight of the day designated shall be deemed to have been filed in a timely manner.

PENALTY FOR LATE FILING

Any candidate failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be subject to a fine for each late day. The fine shall be \$10 per day for each late day for any candidate who receives or expends \$200 or less during the reporting period, however, if the amount received or expended exceeds \$200 the fine is \$50 per day.

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CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES

FOR POLITICAL COMMITTEES AND COMMITTEES OF CONTINUOUS EXISTENCE

AN ANNUAL REPORT IS DUE DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY FOR COMMITTEES OF CONTINUOUS EXISTENCE COVERING THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 1987, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1987.

QUARTERLY REPORTS

DUE DATES

COVERING PERIOD

January 10, 1988	October 1 — December 31, 1987
April 10, 1988	January 1 - March 31, 1988
July 10, 1988	April 1 - June 30, 1988

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August 19, 1988	July 30 - August 12, 1988
September 2, 1988	August 13 — September 1, 1988

SECOND PRIMARY

September 16, 1988	September 2 - September 9, 1988
September 30, 1988	September 10 - September 29, 1988

GENERAL ELECTION

October 21, 1988	September 30 — October 14, 1988
November 4, 1988	October 15 - November 3, 1988

DEADLINE FOR FILING

Reports shall be filed not later than 5 p.m. of the day designated; however, any report postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than midnight of the day designated shall be deemed to have been filed in a timely manner.

PENALTY FOR LATE FILING

Any political committee or committee of continuous existence failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be subject to a fine of \$50 per day for each late day.

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 5	Presidential Preference Primary Selection Committee meets. (Section 103.101, F.S. — 1st Tuesday after 1st Monday in January)
January 6	First date for candidates to obtain petitions. (Section 99.095, 99.0955, 99.096, 105.035, F.S. — After 1st Tuesday after 1st Monday in January)
February 6	5 p.m., books close for Presidential Preference Primary. (Section 98.051(3), F.S. — On the 30th day prior to the election)
February 17	Last date to appoint Election Inspection Boards for Presidential Preference Primary (Section 102.012, F.S. — At least 20 days prior to election)
February 19	Last date for Supervisors to certify number of registered electors to Secretary of State for Presidential Preference Primary. (Section 98.231, F.S. — Within 15 days after books close)
February 22	Last date for Supervisors to publish Notice of Sealing of Voting Machines for Presidential Preference Primary. (Section 101.35, F.S. — At least 15 days prior to election)
February 26	Noon, Pollwatcher designations due for Presidential Preference Primary. (Section 101.131, F.S. — Prior to noon of the 10th day preceding election)
March 1	Last date to mail sample ballots to electors for Presidential Preference Primary in lieu of publication (Section 101.20, F.S. — At least 7 days prior to election)
March 3	Last date for Supervisors of Elections to approve pollwatchers for Presidential Preference Primary. (Section 101.131, F.S. — At least 5 days prior to election)
March 7	Last date to publish sample ballot for Presidential Preference Primary. (Section 101.20, F.S. — Prior to the day of election)
March 8	7 p.m., deadline for returning absentee ballots for Presidential Preference Primary. (Section 101.67, F.S. — 7 p.m. election day)
March 15	5 p.m. County Canvassing Board Certificates due for Presidential Preference Primary. (Section 102.111, F.S. — By 5 p.m. of the 7th day following an election)
June 3	Last day to file Oath and receive petitions for Undue Burden Candidates. (Section 99.095, 105.035, F.S. — Prior to the 92nd day prior to the first primary)
June 6	Noon, last date to submit petitions to Supervisors for Undue Burden Candidates. (Section 99.095, 105.035, F.S. — Prior to Noon of the 92nd day preceding first primary)

July 8 Resignations due pursuant to Resign-to-Run law. (Section 99.012, F.S. — Not less than 10 days prior to the 1st day of qualifying for office; except Federal, for which resignation is automatic upon qualifying) July 8 Supervisors to certify petitions to Department of State for Undue Burden Candidates for Federal Office. (Section 99.095, F.S. - Prior to lst date for qualifying) Noon, qualifying begins for political Party State and County July 11 Executive Committees. (Section 103.091, F.S. - 57th day prior to first primary) July 11 Noon, qualifying begins for Federal Office Candidates. (Section 99.061, F.S. - 57th day prior to first primary) July 12 First day to file oath for Write-in Candidate for President and Vice President. (Section 103.022, F.S. - After 57th day prior to the date of the first primary elections) Noon, qualifying ends for Political Party State and County July 15 Executive Committees. (Section 103.091, F.S. - 53rd day prior to first primary) July 15 Noon, qualifying ends for Federal Office Candidates. (Section 99.061, F.S. - 53rd day prior to first primary) July 15 Petitions due for Independent and Minor Party Candidates for President and Vice President. (Section 103.021, F.S. - No later than July 15) July 15 Supervisors to certify petitions to Department of State for Undue Burden Candidates for State, Multi-county, County, District and Nonpartisan Judicial Offices. (Section 99.095, 105.035, F.S. - Prior to first date for qualifying) July 18 Last date to obtain petitions from Independent and Minor party candidates. (Section 99.0955, 99.096, F.S. - Prior to the 49th day preceding first primary) July 18 Noon, qualifying begins for State, Multi-county, County, District, Nonpartisan Judicial Offices and Write-in candidates. (Section 99.061, F.S. — 50th day prior to first primary) July 19 Noon, last date for Independent and Minor party candidates to submit petitions to Supervisors. (Section 99.0955, 99.096, F.S. -Prior to Noon of the 49th day preceding first primary) July 19 Noon, last date to file Oath for Write-in Candidate for President and Vice President. (Section 103.022 - Before noon of the 49th day prior to the date of the first primary election) July 22 Noon, qualifying ends for State, Multi-county, County, District, and Nonpartisan Judicial Offices. (Section 99.061, F.S. - 46th day prior to first primary; does not include Federal)

State. (Section 99.092, F.S. - Immediately after last day for qualifying) July 26 Last date for candidate to withdraw for first primary without approval of Department of State. (Section 101.253, F.S. - On or before 42nd day before the election) July 29 Noon, qualifying ends for all Write-in Candidates for Federal, State, Multi-county, County, District and Nonpartisan Judicial Offices. (Section 99.061, F.S. - Prior to noon of the 39th day prior to the date of the first primary) 5 p.m., books close for primaries. (Section 98.051, F.S. - 5 p.m. on August 6 the 30th day preceding the election) August 9 Certification of Initiative Petitions due to Department of State. (Section 100.371, F.S. - No later than 5 p.m. of the 91st day preceding the general election) August 12 Supervisors to certify petitions to Department of State from Independent and Minor Party Candidates for Federal Office. (Section 99.0955, 99.096, F.S. - Within 30 days of the last day for qualifying) August 17 Last date to appoint Election Inspection Boards for first primary. (Section 102.012, F.S. — At least 20 days prior to election) August 19 Supervisors to certify petitions to Department of State from Independent and Minor Party Candidates for State and County Offices. (Section 99.0955, 99.096, F.S. - Within 30 days of the last day for qualifying) Last date for Supervisors to remit filing fees to State Executive August 19 Committees. (Section 99.061, F.S. - Within 30 days after close of qualifying) August 19 Last date for Supervisors to certify number of registered Electors for primaries. (Section 98.231, F.S. - Within 15 days after closing of registration books) August 22 Last date to publish notice of sealing of voting machines for first primary. (Section 101.35, F.S. - At least 15 days prior to election) August 23 Last date for candidate withdrawal for second primary without approval of Department of State. (Section 101.253, F.S. - On or before 42nd day before the election) August 26 Noon, Pollwatcher designations due for first primary. (Section 101.131, F.S. - Prior to Noon of the 10th day preceding the election) Last date to mail sample ballots to Electors for first primary August 30 election in lieu of publication. (Section 101.20, F.S. - At least 7 days prior to first primary election)

Supervisors to submit lists of persons qualifying to Department of

July 25

Last date for Supervisors to approve Pollwatchers for first primary September 1 election. (Section 101.131, F.S. - At least 5 days prior to first primary election) September 1 Midnight, last date for opposed candidates to accept contributions for first primary. (Section 106.08, F.S. - Contributions may not be accepted less than 5 days prior to election) Last date to publish sample ballot for first primary. (Section 101.20, September 5 F.S. - Prior to day of the election) September 6 7 p.m., deadline for returning absentee ballots for first primary. (Section 101.67, F.S. - 7 p.m. election day) September 6 Last date to Certify Petitions for Independent and Minor Party Presidential Candidates. (Section 103.021, F.S. — On or before the date of first primary) September 13 Supervisors to submit list of persons nominated to Department of State after first primary election. (Section 102.151, F.S. -Immediately after canvass) 5 p.m., deadline for County Canvassing Board Certificates. (Section September 13 102.111, F.S. - 5 p.m. of the 7th day following election) September 14 Last date to appoint Election Inspection Boards for second primary. (Section 102.012, F.S. - At least 20 days prior to election) September 19 Last date to publish notice of sealing of voting machines for second primary. (Section 101.35, F.S. - At least 15 days prior to election) September 23 Noon, Pollwatcher designations due for second primary. (Section 101.131, F.S. — Prior to Noon of the 10th day preceding the election) September 27 Last date to mail sample ballots to electors for second primary in lieu of publication. (Section 101.20, F.S. - At least 7 days prior to election) September 27 Last date for candidate withdrawal for General Election without approval of Department of State. (Section 101.253, F.S. - On or before 42nd day before the election) September 29 Midnight, last date for opposed candidates to accept contributions for second primary. (Section 106.08, F.S. - Contributions may not be accepted less than 5 days prior to election) September 29 Last date for Supervisors to approve pollwatchers for second primary election. (Section 101.131, F.S. - At least 5 days prior to election) October 3 Last date to publish sample ballot for second primary. (Section 101.20, F.S. - Prior to day of the election) October 4 7 p.m., deadline for returning absentee ballots for second primary. (Section 101.67, F.S. - 7 p.m. election day)

October 8	5 p.m., books close for General Election. (Section 98.051, F.S. $-$ 5 p.m. on 30th day before election)
October 11	Supervisors to submit list of persons nominated to Department of State. (Section 102.111, F.S. — Immediately after canvass)
October 11	5 p.m., deadline for County Canvassing Board Certificates for second primary election. (Section 102.111, F.S. $-$ 5 p.m. of 7th day following election)
October 19	Last date to appoint Election Inspection Boards for General Election. (Section 102.012, F.S. — At least 20 days prior to election)
October 21	Last date for Supervisors to certify number of registered Electors for General Election. (Section 98.231, F.S. — Within 15 days after closing of registration books)
October 24	Last date to publish notice of sealing of voting machines for General Election. (Section 101.35, F.S. — At least 15 days prior to election)
October 28	Noon, Pollwatcher designations due for General Election. (Section 101.131, F.S. — Prior to Noon of the 10th day preceding the election)
November 1	Last date to mail sample ballots for General Election to Electors in lieu of publication. (Section 101.20, F.S. — At least 7 days prior to election)
November 3	Last date for Supervisors to approve Pollwatchers for General Election. (Section 101.131, F.S. — At least 5 days prior to election)
November 3	Midnight, last date for opposed candidates to accept contributions for General Election. (Section 106.08, F.S. — Contributions may not be accepted less than 5 days prior to election)
November 7	Last date to publish sample ballot for General Election. (Section 101.20, F.S. — Prior to day of election)
November 8	7 p.m., deadline for returning absentee ballots for General Election. (Section 101.67, F.S. $-$ 7 p.m. Election Day)
November 15	Supervisors to submit list of persons elected. (Section 102.151, F.S Immediately after canvass)
November 15	5 p.m., deadline for County Canvassing Board Certificates for General Election. (Section 102.111, F.S. — 5 p.m. of 7th day following election)
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