10 ILCS 5/10-5, 10-5.1

_____ATTACH TO PETITION_____

Suggested
Revised March 2020
SBE No. P-1B

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

INDEPENDENT

NAME:	**OFFICE:** **A Full Term is sought, unless an unexpired term is stated here: ____ year unexpired term**
ADDRESS – ZIP CODE:	**CITY. VILLAGE OR SPECIAL DISTRICT:**

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 8-8.1 or 10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
(List all names during last 3 years) (List date of each name change)

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

I,_____being first duly sworn (or affirmed), say that I reside at _____,

in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area of _____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____ in the County of _____, State of Illinois;

that I am a qualified voter therein, that I am a candidate for election to the office of _____ in

the _____to be voted upon at the election to be held on (date of election) and that
(Name of City, Village, Township, County, District or State)

I am legally qualified (including being the holder of any license that may be an eligibility requirement for the office to which I seek election) to hold such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing period) a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for election to such office.

_____
(Signature of Candidate)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____before me, on _____.
(Name of Candidate) (insert month, day, year)

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

10 ILCS 5/10-3, 10-4, 10-5.1 **X__BIND HERE__X** Suggested Revised March 2020

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE PETITION

SBE No. P-3

We, the undersigned, qualified voters in the _____ of _____ in the County of _____ and State of Illinois, do hereby petition that the following named person shall be an Independent Candidate for election to the office hereinafter specified to be voted for at the _____ Election to be held on _____(date of election).

NAME:	**OFFICE:**
ADDRESS – ZIP CODE:	**A Full Term is sought, unless an unexpired term is stated here: ____ year unexpired term**

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)
FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
(List all names during last 3 years) (List date of each name change)

NAME (VOTER'S SIGNATURE)	VOTER'S PRINTED NAME (optional)	STREET ADDRESS OR RR NUMBER	CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE	COUNTY
1.			,IL	
2.			,IL	
3.			,IL	
4.			,IL	
5.			,IL	
6.			,IL	
7.			,IL	
8.			,IL	
9.			,IL	
10.			,IL	

State of _____)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ (Circulator's Name) do hereby certify that I reside at _____, in the City/Village/Unincorporated Area of_____ (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip Code) _____, County of_____, State of_____ that I am 18 years of age or older (or 17 years of age and qualified to vote in Illinois), that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not more than 90 days preceding the last day of filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and their respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

_____
(Circulator's Signature)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me, on _____
(Name of Circulator) (Insert month, day, year)

(SEAL)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

SHEET NO. _____

_____ATTACH TO PETITION_____

10 ILCS 5/7-10.1

Suggested
Revised July, 2004
SBE No. P-1C

L O Y A L T Y O A T H
(OPTIONAL)

United States of America)
) SS.
State of Illinois)

I, _____, do swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States and the State of Illinois, that I am not affiliated directly or indirectly with any communist organization or any communist front organization, or any foreign political agency, party, organization or government which advocates the overthrow of constitutional government by force or other means not permitted under the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of this State; that I do not directly or indirectly teach or advocate the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this State or any unlawful change in the form of the governments thereof by force or any unlawful means.

_____
(Signature of Candidate)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by_____ before me,
(Name of Candidate)

on _____.
(insert month, day, year)

_____
(Notary Public's Signature)

(SEAL)

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
STATE OF ILLINOIS

ARTICLE 29B FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT

10 ILCS 5/29B-5. Purpose. The Legislature hereby declares that the purpose of this Article is to encourage every candidate for public office in this State to subscribe to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices. It is the intent of the Legislature that every candidate for public office in this State who subscribes to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices will follow the basic principles of decency, honesty and fair play in order to encourage healthy competition and open discussion of issues and candidate qualifications and discourage practices that cloud issues or unfairly attack opponent. (Source: P.A. 86-873.)

10 ILCS 5/29B-10. Code of Fair Campaign Practices. At the time a political committee, as defined in Article 9, files its statement of organization, the State Board of Elections, in the case of a state political committee or a political committee acting as both a state political committee and a local political committee, or the county clerk, in the case of a local political committee, shall give the political committee a blank form of the Code of Fair Campaign Practices and a copy of the provisions of this Article. The State Board of Elections or county clerk shall inform each political committee that subscription to the Code is voluntary. The text of the code shall read:

CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play that every candidate for public office in the State of Illinois has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their constitutional right to a free and untrammeled choice and the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.

THEREFORE:

(1) I will conduct my campaign openly and publicly, and limit attacks on my opponent to legitimate challenges to his record.

(2) I will not use or permit the use of character defamation, whispering campaigns, libel, slander, or scurrilous attacks on any candidate or his personal or family life.

(3) I will not use or permit any appeal to negative prejudice based on race, sex, sexual orientation, religion or national origin.

(4) I will not use campaign material of any sort that misrepresents, distorts, or otherwise falsifies the facts, nor will I use malicious or unfounded accusations that aim at creating or exploiting doubts, without justification, as to the personal integrity or patriotism of my opposition.

(5) I will not undertake or condone any dishonest or unethical practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our American system of free elections or that hampers or prevents the full and free expression of the will of the voters.

(6) I will defend and uphold the right of every qualified American voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process.

(7) I will immediately and publicly repudiate methods and tactics that may come from others that I have pledged not to use or condone. I shall take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this Code or the laws governing elections.

I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Illinois or chairman of a political committee in support of or opposition to a question of public policy, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices.

_____ _____

Date Signature

_____ _____

Office Sought (Print Name)

_____ _____

Date of Election Name of Political Committee

OFFICE *of the* SECRETARY *of* STATE

Alexi Giannoulias • Secretary of State

Instructions for Completing a Statement of Economic Interests (Form I 256)

Note: Attachments are usually not needed for Statements of Economic Interests unless you have additional information that cannot fit in the space provided for that question. Please **do not** include attachments with personally identifying information, such as income tax returns.

Frequently Used Terms

The following is guidance on frequently used terms. For statutory definitions of all terms, see 5 ILCS 420/1, et seq.

An **asset** is an item that is owned and has monetary value. Items typically listed as **assets** include:

- Stocks
- Bonds
- Commodity futures
- Investment real estate
- Rental real estate
- Sector funds (such as mutual or exchange-traded funds invested in a particular industry or business)
- Beneficial interests in trusts
- Business interests
- Partnership interests

Items not considered **assets** include:

- Personal residences and vehicles
- Tangible personal property
- Checking or savings accounts
- Government bonds/notes/securities
- Medicare benefits
- Inheritances or bequests
- Retirement accounts
- Pensions
- College savings plans
- Diversified funds (such as mutual or exchange traded funds invested in a wide variety of securities across multiple sectors or asset classes)

A **creditor** is an individual, organization, or other business entity to whom money or its equivalent is owed, whether that obligation is secured or unsecured. However, providing loans to **family** members does not make you a creditor.

Debt is any money or monetary obligation owed to an individual, company, or other organization during the preceding calendar year. Items typically listed as **debt** include:

- Personal loans from friends or business associates;
- Business loans made outside the lender's regular course of business; and
- Loans made at below-market rates.

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Items not considered **debt** include:

- Debts generally available to the public, such as mortgages, student loans, credit card debts, and auto loans; and
- Debts to or from a political action committee registered with the Illinois State Board of Elections or Federal Election Commission.

An **economic relationship** is (i) any joint or shared ownership interest in a business and (ii) creditor-debtor relationships, other than with commercial lending institutions, where (a) the filer is entitled to receive more than 7.5% of the total distributable income, or an amount in excess of the salary of the Governor, or (b) the filer together with his or her **spouse** or minor children is entitled to receive more than 15% in the aggregate of the total distributable income, or an amount in excess of 2 times the salary of the Governor.

Family is defined as your **spouse**, children, step-children, parents, step-parents, siblings, step-siblings, half-siblings, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandparents, grandchildren, the parents and grandparents of your **spouse**, and any person living with you.

Common sources of **income** include:

- Pensions
- Compensation received for services rendered or to be rendered (i.e., employment compensation)
- Capital gains
- Revenue from leases and rentals
- Royalties
- Prizes and awards
- Forgiveness of debt
- Annuities earnings from trusts

Lobbyist means an individual or entity required to register to engage in lobbying activities under the Lobbyist Registration Act (25 ILCS 170/1, et seq.).

Public utilities produce, store, transmit, sell, or deliver heat, cold, power, electricity, water, light, sewage disposal, oil, or gas.

Spouse means a party to a marriage, a party to a civil union, or a registered domestic partnership.

Units of government include state offices and agencies; state universities; local government boards, councils, and commissions; school districts; and community college districts.

Question 1

Any **asset** with a value exceeding $10,000 should be reported in response to Question 1. Only the name of the **asset** or city and state of the investment or rental real estate is required. Do not include the amount or value of the **asset(s)**.

Question 2

The *source* of any **income** that is required to be reported to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on forms including, but not limited to, W-2s, 1099s, or K-1s, and more than $7,500, should be reported here. Only the name of the **income** source (e.g., name of asset, employer, private practice, or consulting company) is required. Do not include the amount of income.

Do not include (i) **income** earned for service in the position for which you are required to file this form, (ii) investment or interest returns on items *excluded* from the definition of **asset** in Question 1, or (iii) **income** from the sale of a personal residence or vehicle.

Question 3

The **creditor** for any **debt** with a value exceeding $10,000 should be reported in response to Question 3. Only the creditor's name is required. Do not include the amount or value of the **debt(s)**.

Question 4

Do not include the **unit of government** which requires the filing of this Statement of Economic Interests.

Question 5

You must disclose the name and relationship with any **lobbyist** with whom you have an **economic relationship** or if a member of your family is known to you to be a **lobbyist** registered with *any* **unit of government** in the State of Illinois.

Question 6

Only the name of the person, organization, or entity is required. Do not include the amount or value of the gift(s).

Do not list gifts from **family** unless they are registered as **lobbyists** with *any* **unit of government** in the State of Illinois.

Question 7

You must disclose the name of any **spouse** or **family** living with you that works for a **public utility** and the name of the **public utility**.

INSTRUCTIONS:

You may find the following documents helpful to you in completing this form:

(1) federal income tax returns, including any related schedules, attachments, and forms; and

(2) investment and brokerage statements.

To complete this form, you do not need to disclose specific amounts or values or report interests relating either to political committees registered with the Illinois State Board of Elections or to political committees, principal campaign committees, or authorized committees registered with the Federal Election Commission.

The information you disclose will be available to the public.

You must answer all 7 questions. Certain questions will ask you to report any applicable assets or debts held in, or payable to, your name; held jointly by, or payable to, you with your spouse; or held jointly by, or payable to, you with your minor child. If you have any concerns about whether an interest should be reported, please consult your department's ethics officer, if applicable.

Please ensure that the information you provide is complete and accurate. If you need more space than the form allows, please attach additional pages for your response. Failure to complete the statement in good faith and within the prescribed deadline may subject you to fines, imprisonment, or both.

BASIC INFORMATION:

Office, department, or agency that requires you to file this form and your job title:

Other offices, departments, or agencies that require you to file a Statement of Economic Interests form (e.g. IL State agencies or entities you file for in another county):_____

Preferred e-mail address (optional): _____

QUESTIONS:

1. If you have any single asset that was worth more than $10,000 as of the end of the preceding calendar year and is held in, or payable to, your name, held jointly by, or payable to, you with your spouse, or held jointly by, or payable to, you with your minor child, list such assets below. In the case of investment real estate, list the city and state where the investment real estate is located. If you do not have any such assets, list "none" below.

   _____

   _____

2. Excluding the position for which you are required to file this form, list the source of any income in excess of $7,500 required to be reported during the preceding calendar year. If you sold an asset that produced more than $7,500 in capital gains in the preceding calendar year, list the name of the asset and the transaction date on which the sale or transfer took place. If you had no such sources of income or assets, list "none" below.

Source of Income / Name of Asset	Date Sold (if applicable)
_____	_____
_____	_____

COMPLETE BUT DO NOT DETACH

This section will be returned to you when the Statement is filed with the County Clerk.

_____

OFFICE OR POSITION OF EMPLOYMENT FOR WHICH THIS STATEMENT IS FILED

(TYPE OR PRINT)

NAME: _____

4. List the name of each unit of government of which you or your spouse were an employee, contractor, or office holder during the preceding calendar year other than the unit or units of government in relation to which the person is required to file and the title of the position or nature of the contractual services.

Name of Unit of Government	Title or Nature of Services

5. If you maintain an economic relationship with a lobbyist or if a member of your family is known to you to be a lobbyist registered with any unit of government in the State of Illinois, list the name of the lobbyist below and identify the nature of your relationship with the lobbyist. If you do not have an economic relationship with a lobbyist or a family member known to you to be a lobbyist registered with any unit of government in the State of Illinois, list "none" below.

Name of Lobbyist	Relationship to Filer

6. List the name of each person, organization, or entity that was the source of a gift or gifts, or honorarium or honoraria, valued singly or in the aggregate in excess of $500 received during the preceding calendar year and the type of gift or gifts, or honorarium or honoraria, excluding any gift or gifts from a member of your family that was not known to be a lobbyist registered with any unit of government in the State of Illinois. If you had no such gifts, list "none" below.

7. List the name of any spouse or immediate family member living with the person making this statement employed by a public utility in this State and the name of the public utility that employs the relative.

Name and Relation	Public Utility

VERIFICATION:

"I declare that this statement of economic interests (including any attachments) has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete statement of my economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. I understand that the penalty for willfully filing a false or incomplete statement is a fine not to exceed $2,500 or imprisonment in a penal institution other than the penitentiary not to exceed one year, or both fine and imprisonment."

Printed Name of Filer: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

DO NOT DETACH
(WILL BE RETURNED AS YOUR RECEIPT)