

# WARD & PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON

## NOMINATION PAPERS

**Petitions:** Established Party, Ward Committeeperson ([SBE Form P-10](#)), Precinct Committeeperson ([SBE Form P-27](#))

**Statement of Candidacy:** Established Party ([SBE Form P-1](#))

**Loyalty Oath (optional):** All candidates ([SBE Form P-1C](#))

**Statement of Economic Interests:** Not required for party offices.

## SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS

**Established Party:** Ward Committeeperson – not less than 5% nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater\*) of the primary electors of the candidate’s party in the ward.

Signature requirements may be obtained from the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners (312/ 269-7900). Precinct Committeeperson – a minimum of 10 primary electors of the candidate’s party in their precinct. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(i)]

*For signature calculations for Ward Committeeperson, contact the Cook County Clerk. For signature calculations for Precinct Committeeperson, contact your specific county clerk.*

\*Although the express language of Section 7-10(i)m which applies in this instance, requires not less than 10% nor more than 16% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the primary electors of the candidate’s party in the ward, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit held in *Giersten v. Board of Election Commissioners for City of Chicago*, 791 F. 2d 472 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir., 1986), that a signature requirement in excess of 5% is unconstitutional and thus unenforceable. Thus, 5% of the primary electors of the candidate’s party in the ward is the minimum number of signatures required for ward committeeperson petitions.

## FILING INFORMATION

**Established Party:** Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(5)]

All candidates for [Ward Committeeperson](#) will file with the office of the Cook County Clerk. All candidates for [Precinct Committeeperson](#) will file with the office of the county clerk. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(5)]

**Campaign Contributions:** Reports must be filed either electronically or on paper with the State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd., Springfield, IL 62704, or 100 West Randolph St., Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

[10 ILCS 5/7-8(b)]

- United States citizen
- Registered voter
- Resident of that ward or precinct from which that candidate wishes to seek office

### FILING PERIODS:

#### **Established Party:**

November 25 – December 2, 2019

### TERM:

#### **Term of office:**

Ward Committeeperson: Four years

Precinct Committeeperson: Two years

[10 ILCS 5/7-8(b)]

**Term begins:** Date of completion of canvass and proclamation.

(10 ILCS 5/7-58)