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MONMOUTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS LOCH ARBOUR VILLAGE SPECIAL ELECTION - May 13, 2025

RULES FOR APPLICATION FOR CHALLENGER CREDENTIALS (N.J.S.A. Title 19 - Election - Chapters 7)

DEADLINE DATE FOR FILING APPLICATIONS: APRIL 29, 2025 by 4:00 PM

Applications for challenger credentials must be filed with the Monmouth County Board of Elections, 300 Halls Mill Road, Freehold, New Jersey, NOT LATER than the second Tuesday preceding any election. ABSOLUTELY NO APPLICATION for such credentials will be accepted after the deadline date. Early filing is recommended to avoid errors and delays caused by last minute application. **FAXED APPLICATIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.**

WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED:

No person shall be appointed who is not a **registered voter** in Monmouth County. No challenger shall serve in any district other than the one to which that challenger has been appointed. (A challenger does not have to reside in the district or municipality in which he has been designated to serve).

PERMITS TO CHALLENGE:

Such permits (**credentials**) are issued by the Monmouth County Board of Elections. Challengers must file credentials with the district election board before being permitted to sit in the Polling place. Unused credentials may be revoked and others issued in their stead at any time up to and including the day of election. **HOWEVER**, such changes can only be made by presenting the credential and badge **AT THE OFFICE of the Monmouth County Board of Elections** ----- **NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE BY PHONE.**

BADGE:

Every challenger **MUST** wear a badge furnished by the County Board of Elections. The badge is attached to the credential.

NUMBER OF CHALLENGERS PERMITTED:

Permits will be issued to **two (2) challengers per district for the OPPONENTS and two (2) challengers per district for the PROPONENTS.** PLEASE NOTE, although two credentials are issued, only one challenger for each side of the public question may be present at any one time. **ALSO, a candidate, whose name appears on the ballot, does not need to apply for a challenger credential for him/herself. They are automatically a challenger and DO NOT NEED A CREDENTIAL.**

MULTIPLE CREDENTIALS:

Multiple credentials can be used to permit one person to enter more than one polling place. **This is NOT IN ADDITION to the above restriction of two (2) challengers per district.**

PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

Organizations applying for these credentials should use appropriate forms. These forms are available at your Municipal Clerk and the County Board of Elections.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Application for challenger credentials must be in writing, giving the correct name, address, and the district in which the challenger is to serve, also the correct district in which that person resides. **THE NAME AND ADDRESS MUST BE PRINTED EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS IN THE REGISTRY BOOK. INCORRECT INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN THE LOSS OF A CHALLENGER!**

CHALLENGERS SHOULD BE FAMILIAR WITH THEIR DUTIES ON ELECTION DAY.

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PLEASE RETURN TO:

MONMOUTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
300 HALLS MILL ROAD
FREEHOLD, N.J. 07728

**APPLICATIONS DUE
ON OR (*preferably*) BEFORE:
Tuesday Aril 29,2025 by 4:00pm**

PHONE: (732) 431-7802 ext. 6450

I, the undersigned Representative for the following Organization: _____
_____ in _____

respectfully request that you appoint the persons named on the attached lists to act as Challengers as indicated below in the **LOCH ARBOUR VILLAGE SPECIAL ELECTION, May 13, 2025**, in the districts as set forth.

This request is made pursuant to Title 19: 7-2 of the Laws of New Jersey.

QUESTION: CIRCLE ONE

PROPOSERS OPPONENTS

SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE

PARTY: CIRCLE ONE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION - PLEASE PRINT

DEMOCRAT

REPUBLICAN

STREET ADDRESS

OTHER

MUNICIPALITY

DATE: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER

LIST SUBMITTED BY: _____

MUNICIPALITY: _____

PHONE: _____

MUNICIPAL CHAIRMAN

CELL PHONE: _____

Special Instructions:

CREDENTIAL WILL BE PICKED UP BY: _____

PHONE: _____

NOTE: Challengers Must Present Credentials to the District Board Worker

CHALLENGERS AT THE POLLING PLACE

Title 19:7 - 1 thru 6.1

The **DUTIES** of a **CHALLENGER** are to observe the election, keep a record of who votes, and challenge any voter for whom they have a reasonable basis to believe is not qualified to vote.

- ◆ Pursuant to **N.J.S.A. 19:7-4 and 19:32-25**, the **COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS** has both the right to issue and revoke a challenger's credential up to and including the day of the election. The District Board (board workers) or a challenger must call this office immediately should there be any disturbance regarding challengers, so that it can be dealt with immediately on Election Day.

[732- 431-7802 ext. 7803]

CHALLENGERS CAN NOT

1. **Challenge a voter for any of these reasons:**
 - a. they think they know how the voter is going to vote
 - b. the race or ethnic origin of the voter
 - c. the voter resides in a particular housing complex or section of a municipality
2. Challenge a provisional ballot **N.J.S.A. 19:53C-3j**
3. Challengers **MAY NOT ELECTIONEER**, wear buttons, pins or t-shirts showing candidate or political party support. **N.J.S.A. 19:34-15**
4. **Challengers may not sit at the same table as board workers, address voters, nor handle any voting materials.** (e-pollbooks, voting authorities, voting machines, etc.)
5. Challengers **MAY NOT** use cellular phones in the polling place

REASON FOR CHALLENGE **N.J.S.A. 19:15-20, 19:4-1**

A voter can be challenged if he or she is:

- under 18 year's age
- not a citizen
- not living in the county for thirty (30) days
- serving a sentence for any indictable offense

A candidate whose name appears on the ballot automatically serves as a challenger; they **DO NOT** need a credential.