



December 2022

To: Special District Director Candidates
From: Steve Dennison, Deschutes County Clerk
Re: Filing Requirements for the May 16, 2023 Special District Election

The filing period for the Special District Director Candidates for the May 16, 2023 Election begins February 4, 2023 and ends March 16, 2023 at 5:00 pm.

To file for District Director Office:

1. **Filing of Candidacy by Declaration:** complete *SEL 190 Candidate Filing – District* form and submit \$10 filing fee.
2. **Filing of Candidacy by Petition:** complete *SEL 190 Candidate Filing – District* form and *SEL 121 Candidate Signature Sheet – Nonpartisan*. Twenty-five signatures from the election district (or zone) **or** at least 10% of the registered voters in your election district are required, **whichever is less**.
3. **Candidate Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet deadline is March 20, 2023.** If you wish to file a Candidate's Statement for the County Voters' Pamphlet, the fee is either \$25 or \$100 depending on whether the position is compensated beyond expenses or not (ORS 251.325).
4. **Candidate Information & Campaign Finance:** Each candidate must establish a campaign account and file a Statement of Organization designating a candidate committee unless the candidate meets all three of the following conditions (information available at www.oregonvotes.gov through ORESTAR):
 - The candidate serves as the candidate's own treasurer
 - The candidate does not have an existing candidate committee**and**
 - The candidate does not expect to receive or spend more than \$750 during a calendar year

Please take a moment to review the Candidate Manual and the Campaign Finance Manual that explain the procedures and regulations necessary to file for candidacy for district director online at www.oregonvotes.gov under Publications.

Complete Candidate Filing Information, including forms may be found at: www.deschutescounty.gov/elections	or	Deschutes County Clerk's Office (hard copy) 1300 NW Wall Street, Ste 202 Bend, OR 97703
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Note: All filings, in accordance with ORS 192, are public records and subject to disclosure.