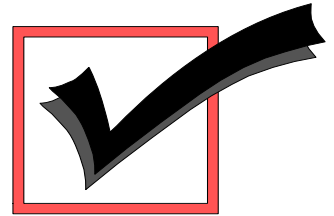


**BALLOT ACCESS CHECKLIST  
FOR 2012 MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES  
WHERE NOMINATION PAPERS ARE USED**



Each of the following forms must be completed and filed on time by candidates for municipal office in order for the candidate's name to be placed on the ballot at the February 21, 2012 Spring Primary and the April 3, 2012 Spring Election.

**In the City of Milwaukee, the filing officer is the Milwaukee City Board of Election Commissioners. In all other municipalities, the filing officer is the municipal clerk.** Candidates should contact their filing officer for further information or to obtain any of the necessary forms.

- Complete and submit a **Campaign Registration Statement (Form GAB-1)** to the filing officer no later than **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.**
  - *New candidates* should file a campaign registration statement as soon as intent to seek elective office is known and before funds are collected or spent. §§11.05(2g), 11.10(1), Wis. Stats.
  - *Continuing candidates* should file an amended campaign registration statement indicating the office sought and the new primary and election dates.
  - **All** candidates should file a campaign registration statement or amended statement **before** circulating nomination papers. A current form must be filed with the filing officer no later than January 3, 2012, or the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot. §§8.10(5), 8.30(2), 120.06(6)(b), Wis. Stats.

- Circulate and submit **Nomination Paper for Nonpartisan Office (Form GAB-169)** to the filing officer no later than **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.** Nomination papers may not be circulated before December 1, 2011. §8.10(2), Wis. Stats.

The number of signatures required are as follows:

Citywide offices – 1 <sup>st</sup> class	1,500 – 3,000
Aldersperson – 1 <sup>st</sup> class	200 – 400
Citywide offices – 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> class	200 – 400
Aldersperson – 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> class	20 – 40
Citywide offices – 4 <sup>th</sup> class	50 – 100
Aldersperson – 4 <sup>th</sup> class	20 – 40
All village and town offices	20 – 100

- Complete and submit a **Declaration of Candidacy (Form GAB-162)** to the filing officer no later than **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.** This form must be filed no later than January 3, 2012, or the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot. §§8.10(5), 8.21, 8.30(4), Wis. Stats.

- Municipal judge candidates:**

Complete and submit a **Statement of Economic Interests** to the Government Accountability Board (G.A.B.), Ethics and Accountability Division (212 East Washington Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, P.O. Box 7984, Madison, WI, 53707-7984, 608-266-8005) no later than **4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 6, 2012.** If this statement is not filed with the G.A.B. by January 6, 2012, the candidate's name will not appear on the ballot. §§8.10(5), 8.30(3), 19.43(4), Wis. Stats. On November 28 2011, the G.A.B. will mail *Statement of Economic Interests* forms to each incumbent whose office is up for election. Anytime after December 1, 2011, a candidate may print the *Statement of Economic Interests* form and instructions from the G.A.B. website (<http://gab.wi.us>).

For further information or to obtain any of the necessary forms, please contact: