



## Running for State Party Office

Thank you for your interest in running for state Party office! Enclosed you will find the procedures of this year's nomination process, as well as the forms necessary to submit in order to be eligible to appear on the ballot.

The following WisDems officers will be elected for a two-year term at this year's State Convention: Chair, 1st Vice Chair, 2nd Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer.

All officer candidates must submit nomination signatures and a Declaration of Intent Form in order to be placed on the ballot.

### **Important 2021 Dates:**

- **March 7, 2021:** Nomination signatures collection may begin
- **March - May 2021:** [CD Conventions](#)
- **May 15, 2021, 5 PM:** Nomination signatures and declaration of intent forms due to state Party staff
- **May 15, 2021, 5 PM:** All State Convention delegate lists due from County Parties to State Party
- **May 22, 2021, 5PM:** Delegates must be current members of the Party
- **June 5 & 6:** Officers elected at State Convention

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### **Submitting the Forms:**

**Both completed forms must be submitted to [stateconvention@wisdems.org](mailto:stateconvention@wisdems.org) no later than 5 PM on May 15th.**

Candidates have three options for collecting nomination signatures to run for Party office, as outlined below.



1. Collect e-signatures on the electronic form from signees
2. Collect photos/scans of completed, printed forms from signees
3. Collect mailed-in forms with physical signatures and submit an electronic copy to DPW staff

Both forms must have all fields completed, and nomination signatures must comply with the guidelines outlined below.

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### **Nomination Signature Requirements:**

- Candidates must submit at least 60 nomination signatures in order for a candidate's nomination to be recognized; at least 10 signatures must come from at least six of Wisconsin's congressional districts.
- All signees must include all of the information requested on the form in order for their signature to be counted.
- All signees must be current party members for their nomination to count. To renew your membership, click [here](#).
- Signatures must be submitted by prospective candidates, not by individual signees or groups of signees.
- Signatures must be submitted in one email to [stateconvention@wisdems.org](mailto:stateconvention@wisdems.org).
- Signatures may not be typed.
- Deadline: 5pm CST on May 15th, 2021.

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### **Relevant Constitutional Language:**

#### Constitution: Article III, Section 8

The state chairperson, vice chairpersons, treasurer and secretary shall be elected to a two-year term each odd-numbered year at the regular state convention. Each shall hold office until July 1 in the year of the succeeding election in order to allow a reasonable transition period for the newly elected officer. Except as otherwise



determined by the Administrative Committee, full remuneration for services rendered during such transition period shall be afforded to the outgoing officer.

In order to run for an officer position, candidates must file a declaration of intent with the state party twenty-one (21) days prior to the state convention. In addition, candidates must file nomination papers containing no fewer than sixty (60) signatures of dues paid party members, with at least ten (10) signatures each from at least six (6) of Wisconsin's congressional districts at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the state convention. Candidates may submit more than the required sixty signatures. Candidates or their representatives may begin collecting nomination signatures no more than ninety (90) days prior to the state convention.

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The election of officers of the administrative committee shall be conducted by an election commission.<sup>1</sup>

This commission shall consist of a chair and four other persons named by the state chairperson with the approval of the administrative committee. Terms of the commissioners shall be for five years, and the state chairperson shall not have the power of removal except with the approval of two-thirds of the members of the administrative committee.

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<sup>1</sup> Per the Administrative Committee vote on March 18, 2021, DPW staff are authorized to conduct electronic voting for statewide party officers and propose which voting software & process is most appropriate. The Election processes must be approved by the Elections Commission.



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## CANDIDATE DECLARATION OF INTENT FORM

This is to certify that I am a candidate for the position of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print the name of position sought)

In the election at the 2021 Democratic State Convention, June 5-6.

I further certify that if elected, I will serve and will faithfully carry out the duties of the office to which I am elected.

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*(Please print name as it is to appear on the ballot)*

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Signature

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Date

**Please Note:**

This statement must be received in the Democratic Party of Wisconsin by 5:00pm CST on Saturday, May 15, 2021 (21 calendar days prior to the start of the Convention). All declaration of intent forms should be sent to:

stateconvention@wisdems.org

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Date Received

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Time Received

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Received By (print name of person receiving statement)

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Signature of person receiving statement

# NOMINATION PAPERS FOR STATE OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF WISCONSIN

Please email to  
stateconvention@wisdems.org  
by **5pm CST on May 15, 2021**

I, the undersigned, request that the candidate \_\_\_\_\_ be placed on the ballot for State Party officer elections of the Democratic Party of Wisconsin for the office of \_\_\_\_\_, so that State Convention Delegates will have the opportunity to vote for him/her for the office listed above, pursuant to Article III, Section 8 of the DPW Constitution.

PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE	ADDRESS	CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT	CONTACT INFORMATION
<b>1.</b>  First: _____  Last: _____			Street Address: _____ _____		Email  _____
			City: _____ Zip Code: _____		
<b>2.</b>  First: _____  Last: _____			Street Address: _____ _____		Email  _____
			City: _____ Zip Code: _____		
<b>3.</b>  First: _____  Last: _____			Street Address: _____ _____		Email  _____
			City: _____ Zip Code: _____		
<b>4.</b>  First: _____  Last: _____			Street Address: _____ _____		Email  _____
			City: _____ Zip Code: _____		
<b>5.</b>  First: _____  Last: _____			Street Address: _____ _____		Email  _____
			City: _____ Zip Code: _____		