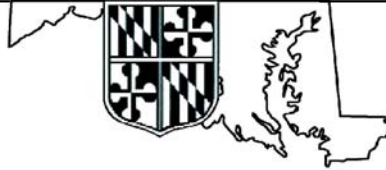


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**DEADLINE TO FILE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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2014 GUBERNATORIAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Annapolis, Maryland (February 21, 2014) – **Thursday, February 27, 2014**, is the deadline for a candidate that filed a *Certificate of Candidacy* in calendar year 2013 to file a 2013 *Financial Disclosure Statement*.

State Government Article, Section 15-605 states that a candidate that filed for office in a non-election year shall file in the election year a *Financial Disclosure Statement* for the previous calendar year on or before the last day for withdrawal of candidacy, February 27. The State Board of Elections is required to notify in writing delinquent candidates that file a *Financial Disclosure Statement* with the State Ethics Commission that if the candidate does not file within 20 days, the candidate is deemed withdrawn and removed from the ballot. State level candidates as well as Clerk of the Court, Register of Wills, Sheriff and State's Attorney's are subject to this provision.

Many local laws include similar provisions for other local offices. Please check with your local Ethics Commission for the deadline.

The 2014 Gubernatorial Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2014, and the 2014 Gubernatorial General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. Additional election-related dates and forms are available at www.elections.maryland.gov. For more information, contact a local board of elections or the State Board of Elections at 1-800-222-VOTE (8683) or www.elections.maryland.gov.

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