



2020 South Carolina Democratic Party
Notice of Candidacy and Pledge

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

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Email: [grid of boxes]
@ [grid of boxes]

*This form must be accompanied by check payable to the South Carolina Democratic Party in the order of \$20,000. *

I hereby file my notice as a candidate for the South Carolina Democratic Party's Presidential Primary to be held on the 29th of February 2020.

I affiliate with the Democratic Party, and I hereby pledge myself to abide by the results of the primary.

I shall not authorize my name to be placed on the general election ballot by petition and will not offer or campaign as a write-in candidate for this office or any other office for which the Party has a nominee.

I authorize the issuance of an injunction upon ex parte application by the Party chair, as provided by law, should I violate this pledge by offering or campaigning in the ensuing general election to this office or any other office for which a nominee has been elected in the Party primary election, unless the nominee for the office has become deceased or otherwise disqualified for election in the ensuing general election.

I attest that I meet the qualification for this primary as outlined in the South Carolina Democratic Party's Delegate Selection Plan (VI. A. 1).

Filing and Certification of Candidates for President

1. A presidential candidate gains access to the South Carolina ballot by filing a statement of candidacy with the South Carolina Democratic Party. Filing opens at 9:00AM, November 16, 2019. Filing must be completed by 12:00 noon, December 4, 2019. A fee of \$20,000.00 must accompany the statement of candidacy, payable to the South Carolina Democratic Party, by each candidate seeking access to the ballot in accordance with Section 7-11-20 (8) (2) of the



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S.C. Code of Laws. This \$20,000.00 fee will be counted toward the filing fee payable to the South Carolina Election Commission, which can be up to \$20,000.00, as determined by the South Carolina Election Commission. This Filing Fee is required by state law and is a pass through that is paid from the South Carolina Democratic Party to the South Carolina Election Commission.

A vote of the State Party Executive Council will determine which candidates will be certified. **The Executive Council will only vote to certify those candidates who are *bona fide* Democrats, whose record demonstrates their faithfulness to the Democratic Party, who are generally acknowledged or recognized in news media throughout the United States as viable candidates for that office, who are actively campaigning for the South Carolina Democratic presidential primary, who voted in their own states' most recent Democratic primary, and who are taking demonstrable steps to qualify for the delegate selection process in at least 12 states. The burden of proof is upon the candidate to provide said information by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, December 4, 2019.**

Only those candidates about whom such determination is made by the Executive Council shall be deemed to meet the qualifications of Party rules under and for purposes of Section 7-11-20 (8) (2) of the Code of Laws. Additionally, no one may gain access to the South Carolina Democratic ballot unless he or she is a registered voter, is legally qualified to hold the office of President of the United States and is entitled to obtain delegates.

The Executive Council will meet at 1:00 pm on Friday, December 6, 2019, to certify candidates for the presidential primary ballot.

Please print or type your name as you would like it to appear on the ballot:



Signature of Candidate

Date

Witness of Notary Public

Date