

**Rules Governing
THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY
in Clarion County Pennsylvania**

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PREAMBLE

We, the Democrats of the County of Clarion, united in a common purpose, hereby rededicate ourselves and our Party to the principles that have historically sustained our Party. These principles include the concept that government exists to serve the people, all people; the promotion of individual freedom and initiative; and equal justice for all citizens under the law. As Democrats, we hold the same basic belief as our forefathers, that out of many, we are one. E pluribus Unum.

We acknowledge that a political party that wishes to lead must listen and work with those it would lead. We are committed to the broadest and fullest participation of all Democrats in the affairs of the Party, and we are also committed to encourage and foster the participation of citizens in the governing process. We pledge ourselves to openness, honesty, and transparency in conducting public affairs in a manner worthy of a society of free people. For these ends and upon the stated principles, we do establish and adopt these Rules of the Democratic Party of Clarion County.

RULE I

Party Organization

SECTION 1. The Organization shall be known as the Democratic Party of Clarion County, Pennsylvania, and the Organization shall consist of:

- (a) County Committee
- (b) County Executive Committee

SECTION 2. The County Committee shall be the authoritative body of the Democratic Party in Clarion County and shall make such rules for the government and management of the Party in Clarion County as it may deem proper. These Rules are intended to be consistent with the Rules

of the Democratic Party of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the latter shall govern in the event of any inconsistency.

SECTION 3. All County Committee meetings and specially designated County Executive Committee meetings shall be public meetings open to all registered Democrats of Clarion County, regardless of race, color, creed, sex, national origin, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnic identity, or economic status.

SECTION 4. The County Committee and the County Executive Committee are authorized and empowered to create and establish advisory and auxiliary committees as needed.

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RULE II **Robert's Rules of Order**

Except as otherwise provided for in these Rules, all meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, as amended.

RULE III **Communications**

Unless otherwise noted, all communications conducted by County Committee members, Executive Committee Members, and Officers may, in addition to in-person, be conducted by mail via USPS, email, or other electronic means as agreed by a quorum of members for each respective entity, shall be construed as sufficient forms of communications for all matters.

RULE IV **Qualifications and Activity of All County Committee Members and Party Officials**

All County Committee Members, Executive Committee Members, and Party Officials shall meet the following qualifications:

- (a) No elector shall be eligible to become a member of the County Committee or Executive Committee unless the elector is registered as a Democrat at the time of election to the County Committee.
- (b) No elector shall be eligible to become a member of the County Committee or Executive Committee unless the elector resides in the County or Precinct at the time the elector seeks office and/or appointment. The member shall have an actual and physical residence in the election district that the elector represents and not merely legal residence in said election district.

- (c) Any member of the County Committee or Party Officer who shall register as a member of any other political party shall cease to be a member of the County Committee or a party officer and their office shall be declared vacant.
- (d) The political activity of members of the County Committee and Executive Committee is subject to provisions of Rule I of Rules of the Democratic Party in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, attached in Appendix A.
- (e) Endorsements voted by members of the County Committee whether for State, County, or local officers, are binding on all Party Officers and members of the County Committee.

RULE V

County Committee

SECTION 1. The County Committee shall be composed of two (2) Committee Members from each voting precinct in the County (see precinct list in Appendix B), both of whom shall not be of the same gender and who shall be designated on the ballot as "County Committee Member."

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The candidates shall be elected in the Spring Primary in the year of the Governor's election and hold office for a term commencing on the first day of the month following their election and ending on the last day of the month in which their successors are elected, if they continue to reside in the district from that they were elected. Committee Members shall hold office for a term of four years and until their successors are elected.

SECTION 2. The following persons, though not elected, are members of the County Committee: (a) the officers of the County Committee, (b) all non-officers of the county executive committee, (c) Clarion County members of the Democratic National Committee, (d) Clarion County members of the State Committee, and the State Executive Committee; and (e) all elected Democratic County, State, and National governmental officials who are residents of Clarion County or who represent residents of Clarion County. Such members shall have all privileges of otherwise duly qualified members at all meetings of the County Committee, except that of the power of vote.

SECTION 3. Any Member of the County Committee other than those enumerated in Section 2, unable for good cause to attend a meeting of the County Committee, may, by written proxy, appoint as a substitute any Democratic elector residing in the Member's election district, who is not already a member of the County Committee from said election district.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of County Committee Members to:

- (a) participate in meetings of the County Committee;
- (b) to increase the enrollment of Democratic electors in their voting districts;
- (c) ensure that the Secretary has their current contact information
- (d) to see that at least one nomination petition shall be properly circulated and filed

- for each public office for which nominations are to be made at each Primary Election in the respective election district;
- (e) to organize political activity in the respective election district thoroughly and effectively to the end of achieving a maximum Democratic vote at the polls and Democratic majorities in the elections;
 - (f) to champion and work for Democratic principles and integrity within the Party and the administration of government, and
 - (g) to do all things necessary and proper to effectuate these rules.

SECTION 5. A quorum exists when the total number of County Committee Members in attendance, is twice the number of Executive Committee Members present. If an individual is both an Executive Committee member and a County Committee member with voting privileges, they shall be designated a County Committee member for purposes of calculating a quorum.

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RULE VI

County Committee Vacancies

SECTION 1. If a vacancy occurs in the office of a Member of the County Committee, for any reason whatsoever, it shall be filled by appointment by the County Chair for the remainder of the unexpired term. Committee members so appointed shall have all rights, duties, and privileges of an elected Committee member.

SECTION 2. The office of a Member of the County Committee shall be declared vacant upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) The death of a member of County Committee
- or
- (b) Receipt by the County Chair of a written resignation of a member
- or
- (c) A written certification by a Precinct or a Committee member that a member has moved out of the district from which said member was elected is received by the County Chair of the Democratic Party of Clarion County. Upon receipt of such certification, the County Chair shall give thirty (30) days written notice of his intent to declare said office vacant to said member at the address from which the elector was elected and at any other known address prior to declaring said office vacant.
- or
- (d) By any other conduct that could be reasonably inferred to be a resignation of responsibilities as a member of the County Committee. Resignation by conduct

may only be accepted by the Executive Committee with just cause that must be described in the minutes. A vote must then be held and be unanimous of all members present to accept the resignation by conduct.

SECTION 3. Within sixty (60) days of a declared vacancy on the County Committee, the County Chair shall make an appointment. However, in no event shall any such appointment to fill a vacancy on the County Committee be made within thirty (30) days prior to an endorsement meeting, any special election, or between the date of the petition filing deadline and the Primary election.

SECTION 4. If the aforementioned sixty (60) day period expires without an appointment having been made, no appointment shall be made to fill the vacancy until after the next election, whether primary or general. If the vacancy is not filled in the next election, it shall again be considered a declared vacancy.

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RULE VII

County Committee Officers

SECTION 1. The officers of the County Committee shall consist of a County Chair, County Vice-Chair, County Secretary and County Treasurer. No person shall hold more than one office on the Executive Committee at a time. The officers of the County Committee shall all be enrolled Democratic electors of Clarion County but need not be members of the County Committee from their respective election districts.

SECTION 2. The County Chair and the County Vice-Chair shall be elected within one month following the Spring Primary in the year of the Governor by the County Committee members, and the newly elected State Committee member.

- (a) If a quorum is not reached at the County Committee Meeting, the Executive Committee shall elect the County Chair and Vice-Chair by a plurality vote otherwise in accordance with these rules.

SECTION 3. The County Chair shall set the date, time, and place of the meeting to elect County Committee Officers during the month following the Primary election in the year of the election of the Governor. The election shall be conducted by open ballot. No proxies shall be permitted.

SECTION 4. To be a duly declared candidate for the office of County Chair or County Vice Chair, the candidate must be nominated by a person qualified to cast a ballot from the floor of the election meeting, and such nomination must be seconded by another person qualified to cast a

ballot. If there is no candidate nominated before the election meeting to fill the office of County Chair or County Vice-Chair, at least two candidates shall be nominated for election by the Executive Committee members in attendance.

SECTION 5. The balloting for the County Chair and the County Vice-Chair shall take place sequentially, with the balloting for County Chair occurring first. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes for the office of County Chair shall be elected County Chair.

SECTION 6. Immediately following the election of the County Chair, balloting shall begin for the Vice-Chair. To be eligible for the ballot of the Vice-Chair position, the candidate must be a different gender than the newly elected County Chair.

SECTION 7. The County Secretary and County Treasurer shall be appointed by the newly elected County Chair with advice and consent of the Executive Committee and shall hold office for a term commencing on the date of their respective appointments and ending on the dates of the appointments of their respective successors.

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SECTION 8. Should any vacancy occur in the office of the County Chair, for any reason, the County Vice-Chair shall take office immediately as County Chair and shall serve for the unexpired term.

Comment: For purposes of Section 8 and Section 9, the following should be observed in determining whether a position is vacant in this circumstance: the formal submission of a resignation letter shall be *prima facie* proof that an officer has vacated a position. Vacancy, however, need not be explicit. If an officer, after reasonable requests for communication or other contact by the County Chair or other officers, fails to respond, or by some other kind of conduct that would lead a reasonable person to conclude that the officer, by that officer's conduct, intends to resign, may be deemed to have vacated the position. It is the intent of these rules that such a finding of vacating shall, hopefully, be rare and should not be undertaken without unanimous agreement of the Executive Committee at an Executive Committee Meeting where all members were given notice of the meeting and an opportunity to be heard. If, after a unanimous vote, it is concluded that an officer has vacated, the rules for the filling of a vacancy should immediately be followed.

SECTION 9. Should a vacancy occur in the office of County Vice-Chair, for any reason, prior to January 1 in the year of the election of the Governor, said vacancy shall be filled by election at a special meeting of the County Committee called for that purpose by the County Chair, and held within thirty (30) days of the date the vacancy occurs. Said election shall be by a plurality of those persons attending said meeting and otherwise eligible to vote. No person may be nominated to fill said vacancy who is the same gender from the County Chair. If the vacancy

occurs after January 1 in the year of the election of the Governor, the County Chair shall appoint a County Vice Chair of a different gender to serve for the unexpired term.

Comment: See the comment to Section 8 of this Rule.

SECTION 10. County Committee Officers may be removed for cause by the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the entire County Committee.

RULE VIII **Powers and Duties of Party Officers**

SECTION 1. The powers and duties of the County Chair shall be as follows:

- (a) To supervise all functions of the County Committee
- (b) To implement and enforce the Rules of the County Committee
- (c) To call and preside over such meetings of the County Committee as provided
- (d) To make such appointments prescribed by these Rules
- (e) To execute and deliver such contracts and other documents as shall be necessary for the operation of the Party
- (f) To cause an audit of the County Committee's records to be made annually or at the end of the term of the County Treasurer, whichever shall first occur

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- (g) To appoint, and to supervise the functions of, such standing or special subcommittees as may be necessary or advisable to carry out party business and to delegate thereto such powers and duties as may be necessary or advisable
- (h) To perform such duties as may be prescribed by these Rules, the State Party Rules, and the National Party Charter, as well as any statutory duties
- (i) At the end of their term, to turn over to their successor, all documents and records pertaining to party affairs.
- (j) To provide a committee handbook outlining the responsibilities and expectations of committee members.
- (k) To serve as a full voting member of the State Committee in accordance with the Rules of the Democratic Party of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- (l) To be an authorized co-signer of the Committee bank accounts.

SECTION 2. The powers and duties of the County Vice-Chair shall be as follows:

- (a) To assist the County Chair in the performance of the Chair's duties
- (b) To perform the duties of the County Chair if absent

At the end of the term, to turn over to their successor, all documents and records pertaining to party affairs.

Comment: For purposes of this section, absence, in addition to its usual meaning, shall also include situations where, after reasonable effort has otherwise been made to communicate, the

chair is indisposed, and such unavailability could have serious consequences to the current and/or future operation or stability of the party, and, in the discretion and judgment of the Vice Chair it becomes of paramount importance to act swiftly.

SECTION 3. The powers and duties of the County Secretary shall be as follows: (a) To give notice to all County Committee persons of all meetings of the County Committee

- (b) To take, or provide for the taking of accurate notes of the discussions, reports, proposed resolutions and votes thereon that transpire at the meetings of the County Committee and to render to the members of the Committee copies of the minutes thereof within a reasonable time after said meetings
- (c) To bring to any meeting of the County Committee or Executive Committee a copy of these Rules and a current copy of Robert's Rules of Order
- (d) To assist the County Chair in the performance of their and to perform such other duties as may be delegated to them by the County Chair
- (e) At the end of their term, to turn over to their successor all documents and records pertaining to party affairs.

SECTION 4. The duties and powers of the County Treasurer shall be as follows: (a) To keep custody of all County Committee funds in such account or accounts as shall be authorized by the County Chair

- (b) To make disbursements at the direction of the County Chair, or majority vote of the Executive Committee, of such funds as shall be necessary to pay the just debts

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- of the County Committee, taking proper vouchers for said disbursements. Disbursements and individual expenses incurred on behalf of the County Party shall be paid only after approval by the County Executive Committee.
- (c) To keep and maintain complete and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements of the County Committee in books belonging to the County Committee
- (d) To prepare and render statements of their transactions as Treasurer, as shall be requested by the County Chair, and to prepare and deliver to the County Chair annual itemized reports of the financial condition of the County Committee
- (e) To prepare and render such financial reports as may be required by any local, state, or federal law
- (f) To annually submit all records for an audit of all accounts in possession of the treasurer. An audit may be performed by either; two Executive Committee Members in consultation with the treasurer, OR by a qualified private entity. All costs for the audit, if any, shall be paid by the Democratic Party of Clarion County. This audit SHALL be completed within 20 days before the set date of the Spring County Committee Meeting and provided to the Chair.
- (g) To take custody of the financial records of all duly appointed standing or special subcommittees of the County Committee, which shall be provided by the Treasurers of the respective subcommittees annually, or in the case of a special

- subcommittee, within sixty (60) days of the disbanding of said subcommittee
- (h) To assist the County Chair in the performance of their duties and to perform such other duties as may be delegated to them by the County Chair
 - (i) At the end of their term, to turn over to their successor, all documents and records pertaining to party affairs.

SECTION 5. The Powers and Duties of the State Committee Member(s)—specifically for their role in the County Committee—shall be as follows:

- (a) The member shall be a member of the County Committee and Executive Committee, and shall automatically be conferred voting rights on official party business relating to the Committees while a member in good standing of the State Committee
- (b) The member shall have the right to vote for the endorsement of candidates for Congress, the State Senate, the General Assembly, and the Democratic State Committee who are running in the district where the member resides.
- (c) The member shall have the right to vote for the endorsement of candidates for all County Offices; including County Commissioner, County Council, Controller, District Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer, and Judge of the Court of Common Pleas.
- (d) The member shall also have the right to vote in the election of a Chair and Vice Chair of the County Committee, and on official party business relating to the County Committee.

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- (e) A State Committee member shall not have the right by virtue of their membership on the State Committee to vote for the endorsement of candidates for Magisterial District Judge, School Board, or any local or municipal office.
- (f) A State Committee member who is also an elected or appointed member of the County Committee shall not be permitted to cast more than one (1) vote per ballot in any endorsement meeting or in the election of party officers.

RULE IX

Frequency of Meeting

The County Committee shall meet at least twice per year at the call of the County Chair. In addition to the endorsement meeting, the County Committee shall meet on the last Monday in September of each year, or as soon thereafter as possible, at such time and place as the County Chair shall designate.

RULE X

Special Meetings of the County Committee

Special meetings may be called by the County Chair at any time and shall be called by the

County Chair or Vice-Chair at the written request of 50% of the County Committee Membership.

RULE XI

Endorsement of Candidates

SECTION 1. The County Chair may call a County Committee meeting no more than three weeks before the County Filing Deadline, prior to the Primary election for the purpose of endorsing candidates for the House of Representatives, State Senate, General Assembly, Magisterial District Judge, all County offices and for the State Democratic Committee.

SECTION 2. The County Chair and each Committee Member may call a meeting prior to Primary election in each odd numbered year for the purpose of endorsing candidates for School Board and all other local offices.

SECTION 3. County Committee Members may only vote for the endorsement of candidates that preside over their said political area.

SECTION 4. No candidate shall be eligible for endorsement by the Clarion County Democratic Committee if said candidate is not a registered Democrat at the time of endorsement.

SECTION 5. Endorsements shall be by open ballot of a plurality of those present and voting.

SECTION 6. All endorsements shall be honored by all members of the County Committee.

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RULE XII

Selection of Democratic Candidates After the Primary Election

SECTION 1. All vacancies that may occur on a County-wide ticket of nominated Democrats shall be filled by a majority vote for those attending the meeting of the County Committee called for that purpose by the County Chair after due notice of such a meeting has been given. This meeting may be conducted via electronic, audio, and/or messaging means at the discretion of the County Chair. The results of any vote held shall be reported at the next County Committee meeting.

Comment: This rule is intended to be as flexible as necessary to permit a timely vote on filling vacancies that may arise. While a vote for a county-wide position is preferably done in person, time constraints may limit the ability to do so. This rule entrusts the Chair to use their discretion in making the best decision possible for differing circumstances.

SECTION 2. When a vacancy occurs on the ticket of nominated Democrats in any Borough, Township, Municipality, School District or Magisterial District, the same shall be filled by a vote of a majority of the entire membership of the County Committee of said political area, at a

meeting called by a Committee Member of said political area, after due and proper notice to each member thereof, except that a meeting to fill a vacancy for any office in a political area consisting of more than one (1) municipality shall be called by the County Chair. This meeting may be conducted via electronic, audio, and/or messaging means at the discretion of the Committee Member or County Chair.

Comment: See the Comment under Section 1 of this Rule.

SECTION 3. When a vacancy occurs on the ticket of nominated Democrats for the office of Representative in Congress, State Senator or Representative in the General Assembly, a person shall be recommended to fill such vacancy by a majority vote of those persons attending a meeting called for that purpose by the County Chair of all members of the County Committee within that political area.

RULE XIII **County Executive Committee**

SECTION 1. Following their election, the County Chair shall appoint additional members to the County Executive Committee consisting of not less than fifteen (15) Democratic electors of the County as follows: the County Chair, who shall be Chair thereof unless with their consent the Committee shall elect another Chair; the County Vice-Chair, who shall be Vice-Chair thereof; the Secretary of the County Committee, who shall be Secretary thereof; the Treasurer of the County committee, who shall be Treasurer thereof; the member, if any, of the State Executive

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Committee residing in Clarion County; the elected member, if any, of the State Committee residing in Clarion County; one (1) or two (2) elected Democratic County Commissioners; the Pennsylvania Western University Clarion University of Pennsylvania (PennWest) College Democrat's President; and sufficient other members to meet the minimum, to be named and appointed by the County Chair, who need not be members of the County Committee, and whose appointment shall be subject to approval by the County Committee.

SECTION 2. Vacancies happening at any time in the membership of the County Executive Committee shall be filled by the County Chair with the consent of at least half of the County Executive Committee present at a formal meeting

Comment: For purposes of Section 2, the following should be observed in determining whether a position is vacant in this circumstance: the formal submission of a resignation letter shall be *prima facie* proof that an officer has vacated a position. Vacancy, however, need not be explicit. If an officer, after reasonable attempts at communication or other contact by the County Chair or other officers fails to respond, or by some other kind of conduct that would lead a reasonable person to conclude that the officer, by that officer's conduct, intends to resign, may be deemed to have vacated the position. It is the intent of these rules that such a finding of vacating shall, hopefully, be rare and should not be undertaken without unanimous agreement of the Executive

Committee at an Executive Committee Meeting where all members were given notice of the meeting and an opportunity to be heard. If, after a unanimous vote, it is concluded that an officer has vacated, the rules for the filling of a vacancy should immediately be followed

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the County Executive Committee to assist, advise, and counsel with the County Chair in all matters pertaining to the management of the party in the County, and to make such recommendations to the County Committee, from time to time, as the welfare of the party may demand. Members of the County Executive Committee shall serve for a term of four (4) years but may be removed from office by the County Chair for good cause and with the consent of at least two-thirds of County Executive Committee members present at a formal meeting, or alternatively, by motion and vote of the County Committee by at least two thirds of the total vote.

SECTION 4. Seven (7) members shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 5. The County Executive Committee shall meet monthly. The County Chair may call additional meetings of the County Executive Committee if, in the determination of the County Chair, such additional meetings are warranted and/or necessary.

SECTION 6.

(A.) Any Executive Committee Member who is absent without good cause, or not represented by a proxy, for three (3) consecutive meetings of the Executive Committee may be removed from the Executive Committee upon a majority vote of the Executive Committee. Any Member so removed may appeal for reinstatement to the County Chair

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within thirty (30) days from notice of removal. The County Executive Committee may, by majority vote, reinstate a member removed under this Rule for good cause. (B.) In all other situations, any Executive Committee member, including Officers of the Executive Committee, may, for good cause and at the request of County Chair, by majority vote of a quorum of the Executive Committee, or, in all other cases, for good cause and two-thirds of a quorum, may be removed from the Executive Committee. (C.) There shall be no right to appeal the County Executive Committee's determination pursuant to Section 6(B), but a request for reconsideration may be submitted, and may be granted by a majority of all active Executive Committee members. If reconsideration is granted, the appeal shall be decided by at least a quorum of the executive committee with an opportunity for the removed member to be heard along with other interested parties—subject to the discretion of the Chair—at the next available Executive Committee meeting.

SECTION 7. Each member of the Executive Committee shall be entitled to one vote except for the Chair who shall be entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

SECTION 8. Votes by the Executive Committee at any meeting thereof, for any motion, shall be by voice vote, acclamation, roll call, or printed ballot.

RULE XIV
Contingency for Inactive Committee Members

Absent the required Committee Members to perform the necessary duties of the County Committee described herein, the Executive Committee will act in the interim to fulfill this role.

RULE XV
Amendment of Rules

These Rules may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the County Committee. The announcement for said meeting shall contain due notice of such amendments as will be proposed, provided that a majority of the members of the Committee attending said meeting vote in favor thereof, provided all members are notified of such proposed amendments at least ten (10) days before the meeting in which action is to be taken.

RULE XVI
Adoption of Rules

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These rules may be adopted by a majority vote of the County Executive Committee. Upon the establishment of a County Committee, the rules will be adopted by a majority vote of a quorum of the County Committee as defined by these rules.

EFFECTIVE DATE: These Rules are hereby adopted, including amendments and text corrections to Rules originally adopted September 25, 2017, and as amended from time to time.

Amended and Accepted by unanimous vote of the Executive Committee: July 26, 2022

Amended and Accepted by County Committee: _____

APPENDIX A**Rule I of the Democratic Party of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania****RULE I****ORGANIZATION AND QUALIFICATIONS**

SECTION 1. The representative and authoritative bodies of the Democratic Party in Pennsylvania shall consist of:

1. The State Committee
2. The State Executive Committee
3. The County Committees, and

4. Such other subordinate committees as these rules and the rules of the respective county committees shall provide, if they comply with state and national committee rules pursuant to Rule VII, Section 1 of these rules.

SECTION 2. Only duly registered and enrolled Democratic electors shall be eligible to serve as members or officers of any of the committees provided in Section 1 of this rule. (a) No person shall be eligible to serve as a member or officer of any Democratic committee as provided in Section 1 of this rule who:

- i. holds a political appointive office of profit under an administration, whether city, school district (except teachers), county, state or national opposed to the Democratic Party (except positions of a judicial character or those appointed by the courts or notaries public or commissioners of Deeds or those whose original appointment to said position was made by a Democratic administration or attained through a merit system or a collective bargaining contract;
 - ii. has entered into an agreement with opponents of the Democratic Party to support such opponents;
 - iii. by voice, vote, financial support or otherwise has, within two years, supported a candidate in a general or special election opposed to the duly nominated candidate of the Democratic Party in that election, except as provided in paragraph (c) of this Section.
- (b) No person shall be eligible as candidate for the office of Chair or Vice-Chair of a county Committee or as a member of the State Committee who has been a registered member of any other political party at any time during the two years preceding the Primary Election.
- (c) Those Democratic candidates who cross-file for an office in which cross filing is permitted by law and Democratic candidates running as write-ins and those persons supporting such candidates are exempt from paragraph (a) of this Section.

SECTION 3. In case any member or officer of any Democratic Committee is accused of being disqualified under any of the provisions of Section 2 of this rule, such member or officer is entitled to a full hearing by the State Executive Committee, except where such accusation concerns a County Committee or a committee subordinate to a County Committee in which case

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such hearing shall be held in accordance with the rules of the County Committee. Any ruling of a County Committee may be appealed to the State Executive Committee if such appeal is made in writing within 30 days from the date on which such ruling is handed down.

SECTION 4. Upon appeal to the State Executive Committee, a hearing shall be held on the day of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the State Committee provided the appeal is made more than thirty (30) days prior to such meeting. Should the appeal be made less than thirty days prior to such meeting, a hearing will be held at state committee headquarters in Harrisburg within thirty days after such meeting.

SECTION 5. The Executive Committee may, by majority vote, remove from office or from Membership the person so accused found to be in violation of Section 2 of this Rule or take such other action the Executive Committee finds appropriate.

SECTION 6. In such case the vacancy so created shall be filled in the manner provided by these rules or by the rules of the County Committee concerned, as the case may be.

SECTION 7. The State Committee, the State Executive Committee and County Committees are authorized and empowered to create and establish advisory and auxiliary committees.

APPENDIX B

Clarion County, Pennsylvania Precinct List

0101 Ashland Township	Clarion Borough Second 0503
0201 Beaver Township	Clarion Borough Third 0601
0301 Brady Township	Clarion Township First 0602
0401 Callensburg Borough 0501	Clarion Township Second 0701
Clarion Borough First 0502	East Brady Borough
	0801 Elk Township

1001 Farmington Township North
1002 Farmington Township Central
0901 Foxburg Borough
1101 Hawthorn Borough
1201 Highland Township
1301 Knox Borough
1401 Knox Township
1501 Licking Township
1601 Limestone Township
1701 Madison Township
 1801 Millcreek Township 1901
 Monroe Township 1901-2 Oak
 Hall Township 2001 New
 Bethlehem Borough 2101 Paint
 Township

2201 Perry Township
2301 Piney Township
2401 Porter Township East 2402
Porter Township West 2501
Redbank Township East 2502
Redbank Township West 2601
Richland Township 2701
Rimersburg Township 2801
Salem Township
2901 Shippenville Borough
3001 Sligo Borough
3101 St. Petersburg Borough
3201 Strattanville Township
3301 Toby Township
 3401 Washington Township