



CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDATE SELECTION TO FILL AN EARLY BALLOT VACANCY FOR A LOCAL OFFICE IN 2026

(CAN-29)

State Form 47011 (R18 / 7-25)

Indiana Election Division (IC 3-8-9-5; 3-13-1-12; 3-13-1-13; 3-13-1-15)

INSTRUCTIONS: For use by major political parties in filling ballot vacancies for local office. This certificate must be filed with the circuit court clerk (or the Indiana Election Division when filing a certificate for a candidate for judge of a circuit, superior, probate, or small claims court or prosecuting attorney) not later than NOON 3 days (excluding Saturdays and Sundays) after selection of the candidate. **However, when a vacancy occurs because no candidate was nominated at the primary, the certificate must be filed no later than NOON, July 6, 2026.** Candidates for non-judicial local office must attach to this form the candidate's statement of economic interests form (CAN-12). **Note:** Candidates for judicial office must attach to this form a receipt showing the statement of economic interests form prescribed by the Commission on Judicial Qualifications was filed if the judicial candidate was selected by direct appointment of the county chairman or officers of the county committee.

TO THE _____ COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CLERK OR INDIANA ELECTION DIVISION:

GENERAL INFORMATION

This is to certify the following:

(1) (Check appropriate box):

☐ (A) Since fewer than two (2) precinct committeemen were eligible to participate in a caucus the county chairman directly appointed the candidate named below to fill the vacancy.

☐ (B) A duly called meeting of the (check one) ☐ Democratic Party **OR** the ☐ Republican Party Committee of the

_____ County, Indiana was held on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

The Chair of the Central Committee was authorized to certify the selection of the name of the candidate stated below;

☐ (C) If no meeting described in paragraph (B) was conducted, the County Committee has authorized the county chairman or the officers of the county committee to fill the ballot vacancy, and a copy of this authorization is attached.

(2) The candidate named in this certificate is a duly qualified and registered voter of the above-named county (and the district or division

the candidate seeks to represent), as the candidate for the office of _____, District _____ (if any) to be voted on at the general election to be held on November 3, 2026, to fill a vacancy now existing on this Party ticket.

(3) The candidate named in this certificate is legally qualified to be a candidate for and to hold the office.

(4) This certificate is executed to request that this candidate's name be certified to the appropriate election officials so that it will appear on the general election ballot. **The written consent of this person to the nomination has previously been filed with this office or is attached (CAN-31 form). The candidate's statement of economic interests is attached.**

CANDIDATE NAME INFORMATION

(5) I request that my name appear on the general election ballot in the following manner as described in IC 3-5-7:

First Designation	Second Designation	Third Designation	Fourth Designation	Suffix
This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The candidate's legal given name.The initial of the candidate's legal given name.The candidate's legal middle name.The initial of the candidate's legal middle name.The candidate's nickname.	This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The candidate's legal middle name.The initial of the candidate's legal middle name.The candidate's nickname.The candidate's legal surname.	If not used in the first or second designation, this can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The candidate's nickname.The candidate's legal surname	If not used in the third designation, this can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The candidate's nickname.The candidate's legal surname	Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Jr. or III CANNOT be a title or degree such as MD, JD

I also request that my name on my voter registration record be the same as the name on this certificate. (IC 3-8-2-7(c))

If a candidate's name does not comply with IC 3-5-7, the certificate may be challenged under Indiana Code 3-8-1-2. A candidate may use a nickname on the ballot only if the nickname is a name by which the candidate is commonly known and does not exceed 20 characters. A candidate may not use a title or degree as a designation or a designation that implies a title or degree. Nicknames are required to be printed on the ballot using parentheses. EXAMPLE: John R. (Jack) Doe

RESIDENCY INFORMATION

(6) Candidate's residence address is:

_____, Indiana _____
Complete Residence Address Must Be Inserted City ZIP Code

(7) Candidate's mailing address is (if different from residence address):

_____, Indiana _____
Mailing Address (Write "SAME" if both addresses are identical or leave blank.) City ZIP Code

PLEASE COMPLETE REVERSE OF FORM

CERTIFICATION OF COUNTY PARTY CHAIR OR CHAIR OF CAUCUS

I, the Chair of the above-named County Central Committee acting to fill a ballot vacancy for a local office or the Chair of the Caucus, certify that the information in this Certificate of Candidate Selection is true and complete.

Signature of Chair

Printed Name of Chair

_____/_____/_____
Date Signed (MM/DD/YY)

STATE OF _____)

COUNTY OF _____)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2026.

SEAL

Notary Public or Other Official Administering Oath according to IC 33-42-9

My Commission expires (*applies only to Notary Public*): _____ County of Residence: _____