



**OFFICIAL CALL**  
**Mass Meeting of the Clarke County Committee**  
**Of the Republican Party of Virginia**

As Chairman of the Clarke County Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia, and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Andrew Nicholson, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the Old Court House, 102 North Church Street in Berryville, Virginia, starting at 7:00pm local time on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 for the following purposes:

1. Electing a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer for the Clarke County Republican Committee for a term of two-years.
2. Electing the members of the Clarke County Republican Committee for a term of two-years.
3. Electing up to One Hundred Forty (140) Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia State Convention to be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at the James Madison University Convocation Center, 895 University Boulevard, Harrisonburg, VA 22807 or its alternate site, beginning at 10:00 a.m. local time for the following purposes:
  - a) Electing 13 At-large Delegates ('National Delegates') and 13 At-large Alternative Delegates ('National Alternatives') to the Republican National Convention to be held on July 18-21, 2016, at the Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland, Ohio. (or its alternative site) (the 'National Convention');
  - b) Nominating two Electors At-large to be voted for in the Presidential Election on November 8, 2016;
  - c) Electing a State Chairman;
  - d) Electing a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman;
  - e) And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention
4. Electing up to One Hundred Forty (140) Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Convention to be held on Saturday April 16, 2016 at the Stone Bridge High School at 43100 Hay Road in Ashburn Virginia beginning at 10:00am for the following purposes:
  - a) Electing a Chairman of the 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Republican Committee;
  - b) Elect three (3) members to the Republican Party of Virginia State Central Committee;
  - c) Elect three (3) Delegates and three (3) Alternative Delegates to the Republican National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, to be held on July 18-21, 2016;
  - d) Nominate one (1) Elector to be voted for in the Presidential Election of November 8, 2016.

For the State and District Conventions, each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes cast or major portion thereof for the Republican candidate in the most recent elections for President and Governor, so that the Clarke County Republican Party is entitled to twenty-eight (28) Delegate Votes, each committee is able to send up to 5 Delegates to represent each Delegate Vote.

Qualifications for Participation

All legal and qualified voters of Clarke County, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required, their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions or primaries encompassing their respective election districts. In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, a person otherwise qualified hereunder shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party in the last five years. A single exception to the above shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of the writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. A voter that utilizes the foregoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a Party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception as identified in this paragraph thereafter.

In order to be eligible for election as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate to any convention, an individual must be registered to vote no later than the pre-filing deadline established by the Official Committee or, if pre-filing is not a requirement, no later than the date of election as a Delegate. A person who has made application for registration and meets all other requirements herein, but whose name does not appear on the local registration books solely because of the books having been closed in connection with a local election, will nevertheless be deemed a legal and qualified voter.

If no more than one candidate files for each Clarke County Republican Committee office, no more than the maximum number of members of the Clarke County Republican Committee allowed file and no more than maximum number of Delegates and Alternative Delegates for the 10<sup>th</sup> District Congressional Convention and RPV State Convention allowed file, and the Credentials Committee approves said candidates, then all candidates will be deemed elected and the Mass Meeting will be cancelled.

### Filing Requirements

Candidates for election to the position of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the Clarke County Committee, Clarke County Committee membership, Delegates (and Alternates) to the April 16<sup>th</sup> 2016 10<sup>th</sup> District Convention and/or the April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 RPV State Convention shall file a written statement of intent to the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Nicholson, stating their intent to seek election for each specific office using the form provided by the Committee for this purpose. No nominations for the above offices or Delegates/Alternatives will be accepted from the floor. All forms must be received no later than 12:00 noon on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2016, either in person or by mail (postmarks do not govern) at the following address:

Mr. Andrew Nicholson, Chairman  
Clarke County Republican Committee  
3512 Crums Church Road  
Berryville, Virginia 22611

Pre-filing forms are available on the Republican Party of Virginia website, [www.rpv.org](http://www.rpv.org) and the Committee website, [www.clarkegop.com](http://www.clarkegop.com), or by calling the Chairman at 540-247-1501.

### Registration and Fees

The doors will open at 6:00 p.m. with registration to begin at 6:15p.m. Any participant in line at 7:00 p.m. shall be allowed to register for the mass meeting. There will be no registration fee to participate in this mass meeting, or to file as a member or an officer of the Clarke County Republican Committee. There is a voluntary registration fee of \$35 to participate in the Republican State Convention and a voluntary registration fee of \$20.00 to participate in the 10<sup>th</sup> District Convention.

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