

**OFFICIAL CALL**  
**Party Canvass of GLOUCESTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE**  
**of the Republican Party of Virginia**

As Chair of the Gloucester County Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia (RPV), and pursuant to the RPV Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, John Patrick Walsh, do hereby issue this call for a Party Canvass to be held at the **Colonial Courthouse** from **3:00 p.m.** through **8:00 p.m.** local time on **March 10, 2016** for the following purposes:

- a) Electing a Unit Chair of the Gloucester County Republican Committee;
- b) Electing Members of the Gloucester County Republican Committee as follows:

Harcum -	3 members
Salem -	3 members
Peasley -	2 members
Courthouse -	3 members
Botetourt -	5 members
White Marsh -	4 members
Roanes -	5 members
Hayes -	4 members
Sarah's Creek -	4 members
Achilles -	6 members
Walker -	4 members
At Large -	18 members

- c) Electing up to three hundred seventy-five (375) Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Quadrennial Convention of the First Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia, to be held on Saturday, May 7, 2015 at the James Monroe High School, 2300 Washington Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA, beginning at 4:30 p.m. for the purposes of:

- (1) Electing a First Congressional District of the Republican Party of Virginia Chair;
- (2) Electing three (3) members of the Republican Party of Virginia State Central Committee;
- (3) Electing three (3) Delegates ("National Delegates") and three (3) Alternate Delegates ("National Alternates") to the Republican National Convention to be held on July 18-21, 2016 at the Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland, Ohio (or its alternate site) (the "National Convention");
- (4) Electing one (1) Presidential Elector to be voted for in the presidential election on November 8, 2016; and
- (5) Transacting such other business as may properly come before the convention.

Each unit is entitled to one (1) Delegate Vote per 250 Republican votes for Governor and President at their last election, so that Gloucester is entitled to seventy-five (75) Delegate Votes.

- d) Electing up to three hundred seventy-five (375) Delegates and an equal number of Alternates to the Republican Party of Virginia's 2016 Quadrennial Convention (the "State Convention") to be held at the James Madison University Convocation Center on April 29-30, 2016 for the following purposes:

- (1) Electing 13 At-Large Delegates (“National Delegates”) and 13 At-Large Alternate Delegates (“National Alternates”) to the Republican National Convention to be held on July 18-21, 2016, at the Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland, Ohio (or its alternate site) (the “National Convention”).
- (2) Nominating two Electors At-Large to be voted for in the presidential election on November 8, 2016;
- (3) Electing a State Chair;
- (4) Electing a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman;
- (5) And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the State Convention.

The State Convention will open on April 29 at 2:30 pm for the election of permanent Convention officers and adoption of rules. No other election shall occur prior to 1:30 pm on April 30.

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### **Qualifications for Participation**

All legal and qualified voters of Gloucester 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.

### **Pre-Filing Requirements**

Candidates for the nomination or election at said canvass shall file a properly completed Official 2016 Gloucester County Republican Party Canvass Pre-File Form and Statement of Qualification (“Gloucester Pre-File Form”), and associated filing fees, by mail or in person to: Patricia Dunnington, Vice Chair, 7215 Clements Avenue, Gloucester, VA 23061, 804-694-0384.

In addition to the Gloucester Pre-File Form, candidates seeking election as Delegate to the First Congressional District Republican Convention must also submit (to Patricia Dunnington, as noted above) the First District Convention Delegate Pre-File Form and Statement of Qualifications (and are requested to pay the \$5.00 filing fee, payable to the First District Congressional Committee, Republican Party of Virginia).

In addition to the Gloucester Pre-File Form, candidates seeking election as Delegate to the RPV State Convention must also submit (to Patricia Dunnington, as noted above) the RPV Convention Delegate Pre-File Form and Statement of Qualifications for Convention Delegate Candidates (and are requested to pay the \$35.00 filing fee, payable to the Republican Party of Virginia).

All pre-filing forms noted above and required fees must be received (by Patricia Dunnington, as noted above) not later than **February 24, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.**, postmark notwithstanding.

With regard to delegates to the First District and RPV State Conventions, and the position of Unit Chair, if the number of qualified persons pre-filed to be elected to a given position is less than

the number of vacancies available for that position (“under-files”), then all such properly filed persons shall be declared nominated or elected as the case may be, and no canvass will be held for such purpose.

With regard to the election of the members of the Gloucester County Republican Committee, the positions shall be filled in order, by the person(s) with the highest number of votes until all such positions have been filled, except that no person shall be elected unless he or she receives affirmative votes from at least 10% of the total number of voters casting ballots.

The Official 2016 Gloucester County Republican Party Canvass Pre-File Form and Statement of Qualification can be found on the Republican Party of Virginia website, under “RPV News”, then select “Official Call Calendar” or [www.virginia.gop/events/category/official-call/month/](http://www.virginia.gop/events/category/official-call/month/)

### **Pre-File Fees**

Candidates seeking election for the position of Unit Chair of the Gloucester County Republican Committee shall, at the time they submit the Gloucester Pre-File Form, submit a nonrefundable pre-filing fee in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), payable to the Gloucester County Republican Committee.

Candidates seeking election as a member of the Gloucester County Republican Committee shall, at the time they submit the Gloucester Pre-File Form, submit a nonrefundable pre-filing fee in the amount of ten dollars (\$10.00), payable to the Gloucester County Republican Committee. (Candidates should understand that, if elected, the annual member dues are \$30 for each of the two years of their term of office.)

In accordance with the Official Call for that convention, Candidates seeking election for the position of Delegate or Alternate Delegate to the First District Convention are, at the time they submit their pre-file application, requested to pay a nonrefundable pre-filing fee in the amount of five dollars (\$5.00), payable to the First Congressional District Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia.

In accordance with the Official Call for that convention, Candidates seeking election for the position of Delegate or Alternate Delegate to the RPV State Convention, at the time they submit their pre-file application, are requested to pay a nonrefundable pre-filing fee in the amount of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00), payable to the Republican Party of Virginia.

### **Registration Fee**

There is no registration fee for voters to participate in this canvass. Voters simply cast their ballot and leave, and are not required to remain for the entire canvass.

### **Photo-Identification**

All persons participating in this Party Canvas shall present valid government-issued photo identification.