

DELEGATE SELECTION FOR THE 2012 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION

Pennsylvania has a total of 253 delegates and 19 alternates to the 2012 Democratic National Convention

Of this total, **153 delegates and 14 alternates will be elected on the ballot in the Spring Primary to be held on April 24, 2012.** Three to nine delegates will be elected from each of the State's 18 congressional districts. Most Districts will also have one alternate. Individuals running for a delegate or an alternate position **will pledge to a specific presidential candidate.**

All candidates for the district-level delegate and alternate positions must file a statement of candidacy and a pledge of support to a presidential candidate. All such statement of candidacy and pledge of support forms must be received by the Chair of the Pennsylvania Democratic Party before 11:00 AM, January 25, 2012.

The State Chair will forward this information to the respective authorized representative of each presidential candidate not later than 1:00 PM, January 25, 2012.

The presidential candidates have a right of approval over who may run as a delegate or alternate pledged to their candidacy. Each of the presidential candidate's authorized representatives will distribute nomination petitions to their approved delegate and alternate candidates.

Petitions for both the delegate and alternate candidates must contain **at least 250 signatures of registered Democratic voters from within the district.** Petitions must be filed with the Bureau of Elections, 210 North Office Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120. A filing fee of \$25.00 shall accompany the petition. **The first day to circulate petitions is January 24, 2012. The last day to file petitions is February 14, 2012.**

The Pennsylvania Delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and delegate women, and alternate men and alternate women, and shall be representative of other Democratic constituencies as well.

In addition to the delegates and alternates elected from each of the congressional districts, the Democratic National Committee members who are residents of Pennsylvania and the members of Congress from Pennsylvania will be unpledged delegates.

On June 9, 2012, the Pennsylvania Democratic State Committee will select 24 pledged party leader and elected official delegates, 51 pledged at-large delegates, and 5 pledged at-large alternates. Any person seeking selection as a delegate or alternate in these categories must submit a written statement of candidacy and a pledge of support for a specific presidential candidate with the State Chair by June 6, 2012. *(Form on reverse)*

For additional information on the Delegate Selection Plan contact the Pennsylvania Democratic Party by emailing delegate@padems.com, or writing to Attention: Delegate Office, 300 N. 2nd St, 8th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101 or calling (717) 920-8470. The Plan and the Pledge Form is also available via the Internet at www.padems.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY
AND
PLEDGE OF SUPPORT**

I, _____
PRINT NAME

being a registered voter in the Democratic
Party and residing at

STREET ADDRESS

CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

in the _____ U.S. Congressional
District of Pennsylvania, do hereby declare my
candidacy for Delegate/Alternate pledged to
the presidential candidacy of

NAME OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

YOUR SIGNATURE _____
DATE

(____) _____ (____) _____
HOME PHONE WORK PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

(Check all that apply)

Ethnic Group

- African American Hispanic/Latino Asian
 Native American

Constituency Group

- Youth Senior Disabled Labor LGBT

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 25, 2012, 11:00 AM - Last day to
submit Statement of Candidacy and Pledge of
Support to State Party Chair.

January 25, 2012, 1:00 PM - State Party
submits Statements of Candidacy and Pledges
of Support to presidential candidates.

January 24, 2012 - First day to circulate and
file nomination petitions for district-level
delegate and alternate candidates.

February 14, 2012 - Last day to circulate and
file nomination petitions for district-level
delegate and alternate candidates.

April 24, 2012 - Primary Election Day

June 6, 2012, 12:00 PM - Last day to submit
to the State Chair the Statement of Candidacy
and Pledge of Support for selection to delegate
and alternate positions that are elected by
Democratic State Committee.

June 9, 2012 - Selection by Democratic State
Committee of 24 pledged party leader and
elected official delegates, 51 pledged at-large
delegates, and 5 pledged at-large alternate
delegates.

For additional information contact:

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**Pennsylvania
Democrats**

**2012
46th Democratic
National Convention**

*Statement of Candidacy
&
Pledge of Support*

**Charlotte,
North Carolina**

September 3rd – September 7th

Detach this panel and return the completed form to
Jim Burn, Chair of the Pennsylvania Democratic
Party. Attention: Delegate Office or pdf email the
application to delegate@padems.com
Returns must be received prior to
11:00 AM on January 25, 2012