

## CALL TO THE 2024 STATE CONVENTION OF THE INDIANA DEMOCRATIC PARTY

JUNE 13, 2024

Dear Fellow Democrat,

You are receiving the Call to Convention (Call) because you were either elected or appointed to represent your county as a delegate to our upcoming State Convention. The Call details the rules and procedures for the convention which will be held on July 13, 2024, at the Indiana Convention Center. Please continue to check the State Party website for updates on Convention details at www.indems.org, and note that there will be caucus meetings starting earlier in the day. We look forward to seeing you in July!

WHEREAS, Indiana law and the Rules of the Indiana Democratic Party ("State Party") require the State Party to hold a State Convention ("Convention") every two years at a time and place set by the Indiana Democratic Party's State Central Committee (the "State Committee"); and

WHEREAS, Indiana law requires the State Party to nominate at its State Convention candidates for Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General; and

WHEREAS, Indiana law and the Rules of the State Party require the State Party to elect a candidate for Presidential Elector and Alternate Elector for each congressional district and two candidates for At-Large Presidential Elector and Alternate At-Large Elector; and

WHEREAS, Indiana law and the Indiana National Delegate Selection Plan require the State Party to elect at its State Convention, Delegates and Alternate Delegates, and members to the National Convention Standing Committees to the 2024 Democratic National Convention in Chicago, Illinois on August 19-22; and

WHEREAS, the Rules of the State Party require the Party in congressional district caucuses to elect one member to the State Convention Committees on Rules\*, Resolutions\*\*, and Credentials, and one vice-president of the State Convention, one assistant secretary of the State Convention, and one assistant sergeant-at-arms of the State Convention; and

WHEREAS, the Rules of the State Party and the Temporary Rules of the 2024 State Convention, as approved by the State Central Committee, require all candidates for National Delegate and Presidential Elector elected at the State Convention to file with the Indiana Democratic Party before noon EDT, Monday July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Rules of the State Party and the Temporary Rules of the 2024 State Convention, as approved by the State Central Committee, required all candidates for Attorney General to file with the Indiana Democratic Party before noon EDT, Friday, May 31; and

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WHEREAS, the Rules of the State Party and the Temporary Rules of the 2024 State Convention, as approved by the State Central Committee, require all candidates for Lieutenant Governor and district representatives to the State Convention Committees on Rules, Resolutions, and Credentials elected at the State Convention to file with the Indiana Democratic Party before noon EDT, Monday, July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Rules of the State Party require a Call to the State Convention at least thirty (30) days prior to the convening of said Convention.

NOW, LET IT BE SAID, THEREFORE, that I, the Indiana Democratic State Party Chair, do hereby issue the following Call to the 2024 Indiana Democratic State Convention:

- 1. The Convention General Session of the State Party will be convened at 3:00 PM EDT (Indianapolis time), on Saturday, July 13, 2024, at the Indiana Convention Center, 100 S. Capitol Avenue in Indianapolis, Indiana.
- 2. The State Chair, with the approval of the State Central Committee, made all arrangements for the Convention.
- 3. Congressional district caucus meetings of the state delegates to the Convention will take place at 9:30 AM EDT (Indianapolis time), on July 13, 2024, at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis, Indiana.
- 4. The names of all duly elected delegates to the Convention, by law, are forwarded to the State Party by the County Clerk of the County in which the elected delegates reside. All elected delegates to the Convention who cannot attend the Convention must make notification in writing of their intention to be absent to the County Chair of the County in which they reside. The County Chair will then certify and authorize the elected alternate. The County Chair will also submit to the State Party names to fill state delegate vacancies. Names of alternates and delegate vacancies must be filed with the State Party no later than 5:00 P.M. EDT Friday, July 5, 2024.
- 5. Per the Temporary Rules for the 2024 State Convention, all candidates for National Delegate and Presidential Elector elected at the State Convention to file a declaration of candidacy with the Indiana Democratic Party on or before noon, Monday, July 1, 2024. Filings started to be accepted on June 1, 2024. Any Candidate may withdraw their name as a candidate at any time prior to nomination. The State Chair may reject any declaration or application of any candidate for any office if the State Chair determines that the candidate is not affiliated with the Indiana Democratic Party.
- 6. Per the Temporary Rules for the 2024 State Convention, all candidates for the Democratic nomination for Attorney General must file with the Indiana Democratic Party before 12:00 PM EDT, Friday May 31, 2024. Filings were accepted starting on May 7, 2024. Any candidate may withdraw their name as a candidate at any time prior to nomination. The State Chair may reject any declaration or application of any candidate for any office if the State Chair determines that the candidate is not affiliated with the Indiana Democratic Party.
- 7. Per the Temporary Rules for the 2024 State Convention, all candidates for the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor and district representatives to the State Convention Committees on Rules, Resolutions, and Credentials elected at the State Convention must file with the Indiana Democratic Party before 12:00 PM EDT, Monday, July 1, 2024. Filings started to be accepted on May 7, 2024. Any candidate may withdraw their name as a candidate at any time prior to nomination. The State Chair may

- reject any declaration or application of any candidate for any office if the State Chair determines that the candidate is not affiliated with the Indiana Democratic Party.
- 8. Per the Temporary Rules for the 2024 State Convention, the Permanent Credentials Committee shall report to the Convention the total number of eligible delegates and the total number of delegates present. This shall serve as certification of State Convention delegates per the Delegate Selection Plan.
- 9. Election for the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General shall, if contested, be on Indiana Election Commission certified election equipment.
- 10. The State Committee approved 2,313 state delegates apportioned amongst the 92 counties.
- 11. Official results of the congressional district caucus elections will be announced at the Convention.
- 12. Official results of the election for the State Party's nomination of Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General will be announced at the Convention and transmitted to the Secretary of State of the State of Indiana.
- 13. At each congressional district caucus meeting, delegates will elect one (1) Presidential Elector and one (1) Alternate Elector. In addition, at each congressional district caucus meeting, delegates will vote on two (2) At-Large Presidential Electors and two (2) Alternate At-Large Electors. At the conclusion of congressional district caucus meetings, the State Chair will tabulate the votes for the At-Large Presidential Electors and Alternate At-Large Electors.
- 14. Seventy-nine (79) delegates and seven (7) alternate delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention will be elected at the State Convention. Indiana will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the primary for apportioning its delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention. The "first determining step" of Indiana's delegate selection process occurred on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, with a Presidential Preference Primary. Delegates and alternates will be selected as summarized on the following chart:

|  |           |            | Date of       | Selecting Body  |  |
|--|-----------|------------|---------------|---|--|
| Туре   | Delegates | Alternates | Selection     | Filing Requirements and Deadlines   |  |
| District-Level   |           |            |               | Selecting Body: District Caucuses at the 2024 State Convention  |  |
| Delegates District-Level Alternates                          | 53        | 0          | July 13, 2024 | Those who wish to be District-Level delegates must apply at<br>the State Party HQ by Noon EDT on July 1, 2024, and then must<br>be selected by district caucuses at the 2024 Indiana State<br>Convention. |  |
| Automatic Party<br>Leader and Elected<br>Official Delegates* | 9         | n/a        | n/a           | Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 9.A. of the 2024 Delegate Selection Rules.   |  |
|  | 5 W       |            |               | Selecting Body: District-Level Delegates  |  |
| Pledged Party<br>Leaders and Elected<br>Officials (PLEOs)    | 9         | **         | July 13, 2024 | Those who wish to be PLEO delegates must apply at the State Party HQ by Noon EDT July 1, 2024 and then must be selected by the district-level delegates at the 2024 Indiana State Convention              |  |
|  | 6 Pa      |            |               | Selecting Body: District-Level Delegates  |  |
| At-Large Delegates<br>At-Large Alternates                    | 17        | 7          | July 13, 2024 | Those who wish to be at-large delegates must apply at the<br>State Party HQ by Noon EDT July 1, 2024, and then must be<br>selected by the district-level delegates at the 2024 Indiana                    |  |

|                                |           |            | Date of   | Selecting Body   |  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|--|--|
| Туре                           | Delegates | Alternates | Selection | Filing Requirements and Deadlines  |  |
|                                |           |            |           | State Convention after the selection of the District-Level and<br>PLEO delegates |  |
| TOTAL Delegates and Alternates | 88        | 7          |           |  |  |

| District | Delegates |         |       |  |  |  |  |
|----------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| DISTRICT | Males     | Females | Total |  |  |  |  |
| #1       | 3         | 4       | 7.    |  |  |  |  |
| #2       | .3        | 2       | - 5   |  |  |  |  |
| #3       | 2         | 3       | 5     |  |  |  |  |
| #4       | 3         | 3       | 6     |  |  |  |  |
| #5       | 3         | 3       | 6     |  |  |  |  |
| #6       | 3         | 2       | 5     |  |  |  |  |
| #7       | 4         | 4       | 8     |  |  |  |  |
| #8       | 2         | 3       | 5     |  |  |  |  |
| #9       | 3         | 3       | 6     |  |  |  |  |
| Total    | 26        | 27      | 53    |  |  |  |  |

15. An individual can qualify as a candidate for district-level delegate or alternate to the 2024 Democratic National Convention by filing a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential (or uncommitted) preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) with the Indiana Democratic Party located at 101 W Washington St., Suite 1110 East, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204. Filing began on June 1, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. EST at the Party Headquarters, 101 W Washington St., Suite 1110 East, Indianapolis, Indiana, and will continue until 12:00 p.m. EST on July 1, 2024. All filing must be received during this time period and clearly indicate the category (District-Level, At-Large, Alternate and Party and Elected Official) to which the person chooses to be elected. Individuals are not restricted from filing for more than one delegate category simultaneously. Filing forms for these positions will be available from County Chairs, District Chairs and the Indiana Democratic Party Headquarters prior to the filing period. Filing is encouraged to be completed in person. However, filing forms returned by mail to the Indiana Democratic Party should be sent by certified mail and received by the deadline. Filing for anyone other than yourself is prohibited. A delegate or alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline. Filing forms for these positions will be available from all County Chairs, District Chairs, on the State Party's website (www.indems.org) and from the offices of the State Party prior to and throughout the filing period.

- 16. The fifty-three (53) district-level delegates shall be elected by the state delegates representing the congressional district caucuses. No state delegate can participate in more than one delegate selection process. State delegates will declare their presidential preference at the congressional district caucus meeting by signing a statement of support for a presidential candidate. State delegates will be given the appropriate ballot for the election of national delegate. All candidates for district-level delegate will be allowed to attend the congressional district caucuses. All tie votes shall be resolved by a coin toss.
- 17. Following the adjournment of the State Convention on July 13, 2024, at approximately 6:00 PM EST. the fifty-three (53) district-level delegates will meet at the Indiana Convention Center (room to be posted and announced at the Convention) at which time the remainder of the delegation to the 2024 Democratic National Convention shall be selected by a quorum of the fifty-three (53) district-level delegates. The remainder of the delegation shall be selected in the following order: Pledged Party Leaders & Elected Officials, and At-large delegates and alternates.
- 18. Members of the Standing Committees for the 2024 Democratic National Convention shall be selected by a quorum of Indiana's National Convention delegates immediately following the selection of the remainder of the delegation.
- 19. The National Delegation Chair will be selected by a quorum of the National Delegates following the election of all delegates and committee members.
- 20. The State Chair shall transmit to the National Secretary the names of all elected delegates by July 16, 2024.
- 21. Constituency Caucus meetings of state delegates to the Convention will take place at 1:30 PM EDT (Indianapolis time), on Saturday, July 13, 2024, at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis, Indiana. The following caucus meetings are already planned – College Democrats, Young Democrats, African-American Caucus, Stonewall Democrats, Latino Caucus, Labor Caucus, and Women's Council.
- 22. The State Committee of the Indiana Democratic Party shall meet to conduct State Convention-related business July 12, 2024, at 10:30 AM EDT in downtown Indianapolis. Final details will be on our website.

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Date

Mike Schmuhl, Chair

Indiana Democratic Party

- \*The Rules Committee of the Convention may only consider and adopt the Temporary Rules of the 2024 State Convention. Changes to IDP Party Rules can only be made by the State Central Committee and will not be considered by the Rules Committee of the Convention.
- \*\* Draft resolutions not requiring signatures to be considered by the Resolutions Committee of the Convention should be submitted by 12:00 PM EDT on Monday, July 1, 2024 to Resolutions@indems.org for review and distribution to members of the Temporary Resolutions Committee prior to the State Convention.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

## Credentialing

Delegates must pick up their credentials by 9:30 A.M. EDT on Saturday, July 13, 2024, at the designated area in the Indiana Convention Center. No delegate credentials will be distributed after that time. County Chairs may gather their delegation's credentials prior to the pick-up deadline if the Chair signs for the credentials and informs State Party Staff by 5:00 PM EDT Friday, July 12, 2024.

## Resolutions Procedures

- Resolutions for consideration should be submitted to Resolutions@indems.org by 12:00 PM EDT on Monday, July 1, 2024.
- Per the Temporary Rules of the State Convention:
  - The Resolutions Committee shall consider for inclusion in its report resolutions that are supported by the authenticated signatures of more than 50% of the authorized number of delegates who received credentials. Original signatures and the resolution must be submitted to Dayna Colbert of the Indiana Democratic Party by 9:30 A.M. EST on July 13, 2024.
  - Resolutions considered by the Resolutions Committee and found to be meritorious by a two-thirds majority of the members, or which originated with the Resolutions Committee and are supported by two-thirds of the members, may be included in the Report of the Resolutions Committee. The Report of the Resolutions Committee shall be adopted by the Convention by voice vote upon a motion by the Temporary or Permanent Chair. In making the report to the Convention, the Resolutions Committee Chair shall provide a synopsis of the resolutions to be adopted. The Resolutions Committee shall meet on July 13, 2024, at 1:30 P.M.

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