



Instructions For Circulating Petitions for State Rep. Nick Sauer

How To Collect Signatures

The voter's signature should be signed (not printed) the same way and using the precise same name under which they are registered to vote. We have a blank on the petition for the printed name to avoid confusion. If they are unsure as to the form of the name, the circulator should ask the person to check their voter's card or the circulator can check the poll sheet. The voter can print the voter's name in the "printed" column.

The voter's signature does not have to be legible; it is a signature. **The address, however, must be legible and must be complete.** This means that 123 West Main Street should be fully spelled out or, at least, common abbreviations must be used. (If in doubt as to the proper abbreviation: spell it out!). **All voters must sign in the presence of the circulator and no one may sign the name of another.**

The address listed should be an actual residence address and not a box in a post office.

When a petition sheet is finished, it is not necessary to line out blank lines or provide a "deletion sheet."

The circulator should NOT fill in the "Sheet No." at the bottom of the petition. Please leave blank. That will be filled in just prior to filing.

Who Can Sign Petitions

At the beginning of every election cycle, everybody can choose in which party he wishes to participate. Generally, that selection is first made by signing a candidate petition. Any registered voter residing in the district can sign a petition unless, the person has already signed a petition for this election cycle (after September 5, 2017) for an opposing candidate or opposing political party.

If the voter tells the circulator that they have already signed a petition for another candidate in the same party or for any candidate running as an independent or under a different party label during this election cycle, the circulator should not take the signature.

Who Can Collect Signatures

Any U.S. citizen, 18 years old or older can collect petition signatures in Illinois. The circulator need not be registered to vote in the district where the candidate is running or anywhere. However, they must put their accurate residence address on the circulator's affidavit.

See opposite side for more info.

Where To Collect Signatures

The best way to circulate petitions is for the circulator to go door-to-door in their neighborhood in the election district.

Gathering petition signatures door-to-door or among neighbors adds a more personal touch to the process and allows you to do a more effective job. Other members of the household who are at home are likely to be willing to sign the petition after one family member is already signed up. Do not hand the petition to the person at the door and allow them to go to another room to have another household member sign the petition. The circulator needs to witness the signature.

Neighborhood Meetings

Neighborhood meetings are nearly as productive places to gather valid petition signatures as going door-to-door in the district. As long as the entity sponsoring the meeting serves the district where the candidate is running, a large number of the attendees are likely to be proper petition signatories.

Notarized

Your completed petition needs to be notarized by a notary public. The Notary Public needs to witness your signature, so **do not sign until you are in the presence of the Notary Public**. Most banks or public libraries have the ability to notarize your petition.

The campaign will also have a notary available and you can call or email Rep. Nick Sauer at 847-226-7147 or nick@nicksauer.org with questions.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT CIRCULATING PETITIONS TO GET NICK RE-ELECTED!

Petitions need to be returned before November 17, 2017 to the following address:

**Friends of Nick Sauer
PO Box 1431
Barrington, Illinois 60011**