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2016 ELECTIONS CALENDAR

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Please refer to the proper citation to the Mississippi Code (*Miss. Code Ann. (1972)*), the Mississippi Constitution, and other cited sources for more complete legal requirements of the calendar entries printed below. Contact the Secretary of State's Office for updates or further information.

January

4th **Qualifying Period Begins:** First day candidates may submit petitions to be placed on the presidential preference primary election ballot. Petitions must be filed with the state executive committee of the appropriate political party. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-1093*)

Qualifying Period Begins: First day candidates may qualify for U. S. Congress, Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, County Election Commissioner, Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Commissioner and Mississippi Levee Commissioner. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299, 23-15-359, 23-15-977, Gen. Laws of 1928, Ch. 12*)

5th **Legislative session begins.** (*MS Const. 1890 §36, MS Code Ann. § 5-1-7*)

8th **Permanently Disabled Voters List:** Circuit Clerks deliver the list of permanently disabled voters to the Election Commission to purge ineligible voters. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

Absentee Ballot Applications: Applications for the Primary Election must be available in the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-625*)

Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Party primary and independent candidates for U. S. Congress and Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Commissioner. State Executive Committees transmit copies of all qualifying papers to MSOS by 6:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299, 23-15-359, Gen. Laws of 1928, Ch. 12*)

Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Campaign Finance Reports for all 2015 candidates due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii) & (e)*)

12th Voter Roll Maintenance: County Election Commissioners meet to conduct voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from SEMS. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-153(1)(a)*)

NOTE: This date is within 90 days of a federal election - no systematic purging may occur at this time. However, voters MAY continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crimes, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary requests for removal signed by the voters.

Candidate List(s) Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Political parties provide to MSOS a list, by name, mailing address and office sought, of 2016 U. S. Congressional and Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Commission candidates who submitted qualifying papers by the deadline for the Primary Elections. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-296*)

15th Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m. for presidential candidates filing petitions to appear on the Presidential Preference Primary Election ballot with the appropriate political party's state executive committee. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-1093*)

18th Primary Election Sample Ballot Deadline: State Executive Committees provide the names of all qualified candidates to MSOS and MSOS publishes sample of the official Primary Election ballot in SEMS. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-331*)

23rd UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline: Circuit Clerks' Offices send absentee ballots for the first and second Primary Elections by mail, email or fax to UOCAVA voters who previously requested an absentee ballot by application, FPCA or FWAB. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-683, 23-15-691, 23-15-692, 23-15-699*)

Absentee Ballots must be available in the Circuit Clerks' Offices. An absentee ballot must be mailed to all voters who submit an application before absentee ballots are available. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-715*)

Permanently Disabled Voter List: Election Commission returns revised list to Circuit Clerk's Office for Primary Election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629 (3)*)

28th Absentee Ballot Deadline for Permanently Disabled Voters: Circuit Clerks' Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the permanently disabled list. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629(4)*)

29th Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Annual Reports due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(iii)*)

FEBRUARY

1st Voter Registration: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

2nd Voter Registration: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

Voter Roll Maintenance: County Election Commissioners meet to perform voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from the voter roll/SEMS. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-153 (1)(b)*)

NOTE: This date is within 90 days of a federal election - no systematic purging may occur at this time. However, voters MAY continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crimes, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary requests for removal signed by the voters.

3rd **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

4th **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

5th **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

6th **Voter Registration Deadline, 12:00 p.m.:** Circuit Clerks' Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37 (2)*)

Mail-In Registration Applications must be postmarked no later than Saturday, February 6, 2016 (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-47(2)(a)*)

16th **Voting Machine Training:** Deadline by which County Election Officials appoint persons to instruct poll managers in the use of voting machines and their duties for the Primary Election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-417*)

23rd **Appointment of Poll Workers:** Deadline by which County Election Officials appoint poll managers for the Primary Election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-265*)

Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training: Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five (5) days before the date of the training. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4)*)

27th **UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline:** Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed FPCA from a UOCAVA voter. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2)*)

Absentee Voting: Circuit Clerks' Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)

MARCH

1st **Campaign Finance Deadline-5:00 p.m.:** Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee District Only, Primary Election Report due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(iii)*)

3rd **Poll Manager Training Deadline:** No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in any election unless he has received training once during the 12 months immediately preceding the election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(a)*)

5th **In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.:** Circuit Clerks' Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)

L&A Testing Deadline. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.4(4)(a)*)

7th **Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by the Circuit Clerk's Office. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-631(1)(c), 23-15-637*)

NOTE: Absentee ballots returned by non-UOCAVA voters after this deadline and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office by 7:00 p.m. on Primary Election Day remain valid but only for purposes of counting votes for President.

8th **PRIMARY ELECTION DAY** for Federal Offices and Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Board. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. for voting. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-1031, 23-15-1081, 23-15-1083, Gen. Laws 1928, Ch. 12*)

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots returned by UOCAVA voters must be received by the Circuit Clerk's office no later than 7:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)

NOTE: Absentee ballots returned by non-UOCAVA voters received by the Circuit Clerk's Office no later than 7:00 p.m. must be reviewed and, if accepted, counted for purposes of the Presidential race only.

9th **Late Absentee Ballots:** The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received after the applicable deadline(s) must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt and retained for the period of time required for the preservation of ballots. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)

15th **Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*MS Const. 1890 § 249-A*)

Appointment of Poll Workers: Deadline by which County Election Officials appoint poll managers and resolution board members for the Primary Runoff Election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-265*)

Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training: Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five (5) days before the date of the training. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4)*)

16th **Canvas of Returns and Announcement of Results by County Election Officials:** County election officials forward certified county results to state party Executive Committees and MSOS. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-597(1)*)

18th **Tabulated Statement of Party Vote:** Deadline by which State Executive Committee(s) declare results, transmit to MSOS tabulated statement of the vote, announce the names

of the nominees and submit the names of candidates for the Primary Runoff Election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-599*) No candidate shall be certified as a party nominee unless all required campaign finance reports have been filed. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-811*)

- 19th Runoff Absentee Voting:** Circuit Clerks' Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. A runoff absentee ballot must be mailed to all voters who completed an application for an absentee ballot before ballots were available, including voters on the permanently disabled list. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-653, 23-15-715, 23-15-629(4)*)
- 22nd Campaign Finance Deadline-5:00 p.m.:** *Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee District Only*, Primary Runoff Election Report due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(iii)*)
- 24th Poll Manager Training Deadline:** Only for poll managers who have not received training once in the 12 months preceding the second primary (runoff) election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239*)
- 26th In-Person Runoff Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.:** Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-637, 23-15-653*)
- L&A Testing Deadline.** (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.4(4)(a)*)
- 28th Runoff Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Runoff absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by the Circuit Clerk's Office. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (*MS Code Ann. §23-15-631(1)(c)*)
- 29th PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION DAY:** Federal Offices and Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Board. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. for voting. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-1031, 23-15-1083*)
- UOCAVA Runoff Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.:** Runoff absentee ballots returned by UOCAVA voters must be received by the Circuit Clerk's Office no later than 7:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)
- 30th Late Absentee Ballots:** The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received after the applicable deadline(s) must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt and retained for the period of time required for the preservation of ballots. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)

APRIL

- 5th Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's office. (*MS Const. 1890 § 249-A*)

- 6th **Canvas of Returns and Announcement of Results by County Election Officials:** County officials forward certified county results to state party Executive Committees and MSOS. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-597(1)*)
- 8th **Tabulated Statement of Party Vote:** Deadline by which State Executive Committee(s) must declare results, transmit to MSOS tabulated statement of the vote, announce the names of the nominees and submit the names of candidates for the Primary Runoff Election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-599*) No candidate shall be certified as a party nominee unless all required campaign finance reports have been filed. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-811*)

MAY

- 6th **Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Non-Partisan Judicial Offices (Supreme Court and Court of Appeals) and Mississippi Levee District. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-977, MS. Const. 1890 §231*)
- 8th ***Sine Die:*** Legislative Session Ends (*MS Const. 1890 § 36*)
- 10th **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Periodic Campaign Finance Reports due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii) and (e)*)
- 28th **Absentee Voting:** ***MS Levee District Only***, Circuit Clerks' Offices in Bolivar, Washington and Issaquena Counties MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)
- 31st **Campaign Finance Deadline-5:00 p.m.** ***Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee District Only***, General Election Report due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(iii)*)

JUNE

- 2nd **Poll Manager Training Deadline -** ***MS Levee District Only***: Only for poll managers who have not received training once in the 12 months preceding the MS Levee Board election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239*)
- 4th **In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m. -** ***MS Levee District Only***: Circuit Clerks' offices in Bolivar, Washington and Issaquena Counties MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-637, 23-15-653*)
- 6th **Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.** ***County Election Commissioner Candidates Only*** in the Offices of the Chancery Clerks/Clerks of the Boards of Supervisors. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-213*)
- Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m. -** ***MS Levee District Only***: Absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by the Circuit Clerk's Office. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (*MS Code Ann. §23-15-631(1)(c)*)

- 7th **GENERAL ELECTION DAY - *MS Levee District Only***: Election of one (1) Commissioner in Bolivar, Washington and Issaquena Counties; majority vote required, with Runoff Election held on June 21, 2016, if necessary. (*Gen. Laws 1930, Ch. 85; Gen. Laws 1968, Ch. 574; Gen. Laws 1982 Ch. 317*)
- UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline. 7:00 p.m. - *MS Levee District Only***: Absentee ballots returned by UOCAVA voters must be received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices no later than 7:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)
- 8th **Late Absentee Ballots - *MS Levee District Only***: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received after the applicable deadline(s) must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt and retained for the period of time required for the preservation of ballot. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)
- 10th **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.**: Periodic Campaign Finance Reports due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii) and (e)*)
- 11th **Runoff Election Absentee Voting - *MS Levee District Only***: Circuit Clerks' Offices in Bolivar, Washington and Issaquena Counties MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)
- 18th **Runoff Election In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m. - *MS Levee District Only***: Circuit Clerks' offices in Bolivar, Washington and Issaquena Counties MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-637, 23-15-653*)
- 20th **Runoff Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline. 5:00 p.m. - *MS Levee District Only***: Absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by the Circuit Clerk's Office. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (*MS Code Ann. §23-15-631(1)(c)*)
- 21st **RUNOFF ELECTION DAY - *MS Levee District Only* (Bolivar, Washington and Issaquena Counties)**. (*Gen. Laws 1930, Ch. 85; Gen. Laws 1968, Ch. 574; Gen. Laws 1982 Ch. 317*)
- 22nd **Late Absentee Ballots - *MS Levee District Only***: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received after the applicable deadline(s) must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt and retained for the period of time required for the preservation of ballot. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)

JULY

- 8th **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.**: Periodic Campaign Finance Reports due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii) and (e)*)

AUGUST

- 10th **Qualifying Period Begins**: Candidates for County School Board; Consolidated /Consolidated Line School Board Trustee; Municipal Separate School Board Trustee; and

Special Municipal Separate School Board Trustee. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 37-7-211, 37-7-225, 37-7-711*)

National Voter Registration Act, Systematic Purging Deadline: Voters may NOT be purged from the voter roll based upon the confirmation card process within 90 days before the date of the General Election, i.e., “systematic purging.” Voters MAY continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crimes, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary requests for removal signed by the voters. (*42 USC § 1973gg-6(c)(A)*)

SEPTEMBER

9th **Permanently Disabled Voters List:** Circuit Clerks deliver the list of permanently disabled voters to the Election Commission to purge ineligible voters. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Candidates for County School Board; Municipal Separate School Board Trustee; Consolidated/Consolidated Line School Board Trustee; Special Municipal Separate School Board Trustee (*MS Code Ann. §§ 37-7-225, 37-7-211, 37-7-711*); and County and County-District Special Elections. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-839(1)*)

Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Certificates of Nomination by Political Party Convention and petitions by Independent Presidential candidates must be filed with the Office of the Secretary of State. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-785*)

Absentee Ballot Applications: Applications for the General Election must be available in the Circuit Clerk’s Office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-625*)

12th **Voter Roll Maintenance:** County Election Commissioners meet to perform voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from the voter roll/SEMS. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-153 (1)(d)*).

NOTE: No systematic purging may occur within 90 days of a Federal election. Voters MAY continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crimes, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary requests for removal signed by the voters.

14th **General Election Sample Ballot Deadline:** MSOS publishes a sample of the official November General Election ballot in SEMS. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-367(3)*)

24th **UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline:** Circuit Clerks’ Offices send absentee ballots by mail, e-mail or fax to UOCAVA voters who previously requested an absentee ballot by application, FPCA or FWAB. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-683, 23-15-691, 23-15-692, 23-15-699*)

Absentee Ballots must be available in the Circuit Clerks' Offices. An absentee ballot must be mailed to voters who submit applications before absentee ballots are available. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-715*)

Permanently Disabled Voter List: Election Commission returns revised list to Circuit Clerk's Office for General Election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

- 29th **Absentee Ballot Deadline for Permanently Disabled Voters**: Circuit Clerks' Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the permanently disabled list. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629(4)*)

OCTOBER

- 3rd **Voter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

- 4th **Voter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

- 5th **Voter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

- 6th **Voter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

- 7th **Voter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

- 8th **Voter Registration Deadline, 12:00 p.m.**: Circuit Clerks' Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37 (2)*)

Mail-In Registration Applications must be postmarked no later than Saturday, October 8, 2016. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-47(2)(a)*)

- 10th **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.**: Periodic Campaign Finance Reports due in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii)&(e)*)

- 18th **Voting Machine Training**: Deadline by which County Election Commissioners appoint persons to instruct poll managers in the use of voting machines and their duties for the General Election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-417*)

- 28th **Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training**: Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five (5) days before the date of the training. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4)*)

- 29th **Absentee Voting**: Circuit Clerks' Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)

UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed FPCA from a UOCAVA voter. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2)*)

- 30th Campaign Finance - 48 Hour Reports (Sunday, 12:01 a.m. through Sunday, November 6th, 12:01 a.m.) for General and Special Election Candidates:** If any contribution of more than \$200.00 is received by a candidate or candidate's political committee after the tenth day, but more than 48 hours before 12:01 a.m. on the day of the election, the candidate or political committee must fully disclose the contribution by filing a "Forty-Eight Hour Report" with the appropriate office within 48 hours of receipt of the contribution. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-805*) The notification shall be in writing, and may be transmitted by overnight mail, courier service, or other reliable means, including fax or e-mail, but the candidate or candidate's committee shall ensure the notification is received in the appropriate office within 48 hours of the contribution. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(f)(i)&(ii)*)

NOVEMBER

- 1st Campaign Finance Pre-Election Report Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** All candidates and political committees who have accepted contributions or made expenditures for the General Election must file pre-Election Reports in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(i)*)

- 3rd Poll Manager Training Deadline:** Only for poll managers and resolution board members who have not received training once in the 12 months preceding the general election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(a)*)

- 5th L&A Testing Deadline.** (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.4(4)(a)*)

In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)

- 7th Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Absentee ballots returned by mail must be received by the Circuit Clerk's Office. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (*MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-631(1)(c), 23-15-637*)

NOTE: Absentee ballots returned by non-UOCAVA voters after this deadline yet received by the Circuit Clerk's Office by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day remain valid, but only for purposes of the Presidential race.

- 8th UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.:** Absentee ballots returned by UOCAVA voters must be received by the Circuit Clerk's Office no later than 7:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)

NOTE: Absentee ballots returned by non-UOCAVA voters received by the Circuit Clerk's Office no later than 7:00 p.m. must be reviewed and, if accepted, counted for purposes of the Presidential race only.

GENERAL ELECTION DAY for President; U.S. Congress; Supreme Court and Court of Appeals; County Election Commissioner; County School Board, Municipal Separate School Board Trustee, Consolidated/Consolidated Line School Board Trustee, Special Municipal Separate School Board Trustee; and Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Commissioner. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. for voting.

REGULAR SPECIAL ELECTION DAY for county and county district vacancies. Polls open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. for voting.

- 9th **Late Absentee Ballots:** The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received after the applicable deadline(s) must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt and retained for the period of time required for the preservation of ballots. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)
- 16th **Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's office. (*MS Const. 1890 § 249-A*)
- 18th **Delivery of Returns Deadline:** County Election Commission(s) must transmit to the Secretary of State their counties' General Election returns, including certified recap sheets and statement of the whole number of votes given in the county for each candidate. The certification of the election must be signed and dated by a majority of the county election commissioners. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-603*) No candidate shall be certified as elected unless all required campaign finance reports have been filed. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-811*)
- Publication of Notice of Runoff Poll Worker Training:** Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five (5) days before the date of the training. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4)*)
- 19th **Runoff Absentee Voting:** Circuit Clerks' Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)
- 20th **Campaign Finance - 48 Hour Reports (Sunday, 12:01 a.m. through Sunday, November 27th, 12:01 a.m.), for General and Special Election Candidates:** If any contribution of more than \$200.00 is received by a candidate or candidate's political committee after the tenth day, but more than 48 hours before 12:01 a.m. on the day of the election, the candidate or political committee must fully disclose the contribution by filing a "Forty-Eight Hour Report" with the appropriate office within 48 hours of receipt of the contribution. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-805*) The notification shall be in writing, and may be transmitted by overnight mail, courier service, or other reliable means, including fax or e-mail, but the candidate or candidate's committee shall ensure the notification is received in the appropriate office within 48 hours of the contribution. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(f)(i)&(ii)*)

- 22nd Campaign Finance Pre-Runoff Election Report Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** All candidates and political committees who have accepted contributions or made expenditures for the Runoff Election must file pre-Election Reports in the appropriate office. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(i)*)
- 23rd Runoff Poll Manager Training Deadline:** Only for poll managers and resolution board members who have not received training once in the 12 months preceding the general election. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(a)*)
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- Determination of Election for Judges for Supreme Court and Court of Appeals (absent Runoff Election).** (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-607*)
- 29th GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF DAY** for Municipal Separate School Board Trustee and Consolidated/Consolidated Line School Board Trustee; Supreme Court and Court of Appeals. Special Election Runoff Day for county and county-district vacancies. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-833*) Polls open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. for voting.
- UOCAVA Runoff Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.:** Absentee ballots returned by UOCAVA voters must be received by the Circuit Clerk's office no later than 7:00 p.m. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)
- 30th Late Runoff Absentee Ballots:** The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received after the applicable deadline(s) must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt and retained for the period of time required for the preservation of ballots. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-647*)

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- 6th Voter ID Runoff Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*MS Const. 1890 § 249-A*)
- 8th Declaration of Results by Secretary of State:** Deadline by which MSOS shall ascertain the whole number of votes given for certain candidates and declare such person(s) to be duly elected. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-605*)
- 9th Canvass of Returns and Declaration of Runoff Election Results by County Election Commission(s) Deadline:** County Election Commission(s) transmit to the Secretary of State their counties' Runoff Election returns, including certified recap sheets and

statement of the whole number of votes given in the county for each candidate. The certification of the election must be signed and dated by a majority of the county election commissioners. (*MS Code Ann. §23-15-601, 23-15-603, §§ 140 and 143 of MS Const. of 1890*) No candidate shall be certified as elected to office unless and until he/she files all required campaign finance reports. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-811*)

19th Meeting of Electors: Electors nominated by the party shall meet in Jackson to give their votes for President and Vice-President of the United States, and shall make return thereof agreeably to the laws of the United States. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-789*)

Determination of Election for Judges for Supreme Court and Court of Appeals. (*MS Code Ann. § 23-15-607*)