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2023 ELECTIONS CALENDAR

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Mississippi election officials are required by State and Federal law to perform certain duties. This calendar is intended to serve only as an informational tool for election officials and the general public. Omission of any date does not relieve local election officials of their obligations to perform those duties as required by law.

• Calendar entries pertaining to Campaign Finance deadlines are printed in green.

JANUARY

- 1st NEW YEAR'S DAY
- **Qualifying Period Begins:** First day candidates may qualify for Statewide, State District, Legislative, County and County District Offices in the respective office(s). (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299, 23-15-359).
 - Legislative Session Begins (MS Const. 1890 §36, MS Code Ann. § 5-1-7)
- 10th 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)
 - Campaign Finance Reporting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Reports due in the appropriate office for 2022 Judicial Candidates and political committees which supported or opposed a 2022 judicial candidate. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii) and (e))
- 16th DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.'S AND ROBERT E. LEE'S BIRTHDAY
- Annual Lobbying Report Due: A lobbyist's client shall file a report of expenditures with the Secretary of State containing information on all expenditures paid by the lobbyist's client during the

preceding twelve (12) calendar months. (MS Code Ann. § 5-8-9(1)). A lobbyist must file a report with the Secretary of State containing information on all expenditures paid or initiated by the lobbyist on behalf of each lobbyist's client during the preceding twelve (12) calendar months, and it shall include a cumulative total for the calendar year of all reportable categories. (Miss. Code Ann. § 5-8-11(5)).

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

FEBRUARY

- Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Party Primary and independent candidates for State, State District, Legislative, County and County District Offices. State Executive Committees forward to the Secretary of State's Office copies of all candidates' statements of intent no later than 6:00 p.m. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299(3), 23-15-299(4)(b), 23-15-359(3))
- Candidate List(s) Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: State Executive Committees provide to the Secretary of State's Office a list by name, mailing address and office sought, of candidates for State, State District and Legislative Offices who filed qualifying papers on or before the qualifying deadline. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-296)
- 20th PRESIDENT'S DAY
- Mid-session Lobbying Report Due: A lobbyist shall file a report with the Secretary of State containing the name of the executive, legislative, or public official or public employee who receives anything of value from the lobbyist or from the lobbyist on behalf of the lobbyist's client, the name of the person receiving the payment, the name of the person making the payment, the amount of the payment and the date of the payment. (Miss. Code Ann. § 5-8-11(6)).

MARCH

APRIL

- 2nd SINE DIE: Legislative Session Ends (MS Const. 1890 §36, MS Code Ann. § 5-1-7)
- End of Session Lobbying Report Due: A lobbyist shall file a report with the Secretary of State containing the name of the executive, legislative, or public official or public employee who receives anything of value from the lobbyist or from the lobbyist on behalf of the lobbyist's client, the name of the person receiving the payment, the name of the person making the payment, the amount of the payment and the date of the payment. (MS Code Ann. § 5-8-11(6)).
- 24th CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL DAY

MAY

- 10th Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Campaign Finance Reports due in the appropriate office for 2023 candidates and political committees supporting or opposing 2023 candidates. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii) and 23-15-807(e))
- 29th Memorial Day Holiday

JUNE

- 9th <u>Permanently Disabled Voters List:</u> Circuit Clerks provide list to the Election Commission to purge ineligible voters. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)).
 - <u>Absentee Ballot Applications Available:</u> Applications for the August Primary Elections must be available in the Circuit Clerks' Offices to eligible absentee voters. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-625)
 - Qualified Candidate List(s) Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: State Executive Committees provide to the Secretary of State's Office a list by name, mailing address and office sought, of candidates for State, State District and Legislative Offices who have been certified as qualified by each respective State Executive Committee and is therefore eligible to be placed upon the Primary Election ballot.
- **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Periodic Campaign Finance Reports due no later than 5:00pm in the appropriate office for all nonpartisan Judicial candidates (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(ii) and 23-15-807(e))
- 19th Primary Election Sample Ballot Deadline: State Executive Committee provides the names of all qualified candidates to MSOS and MSOS publishes sample of official Primary Election Ballot in SEMS. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-331).
- **UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline:** Circuit Clerks' Offices must send absentee ballots for first and second Primary Elections by mail, email, or fax to UOCAVA voters. (MS Code Ann. §§23-15-683; 23-15-691; 23-15-692; and 23-15-699).
 - <u>Permanently Disabled Voter List:</u> Election Commission returns revised list to Circuit Clerk's Office for Primary Election. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629 (3))
 - Absentee Ballots must be available in the Circuit Clerk's Office. An absentee ballot must be mailed to all voters who applied before absentee ballot are available. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-715(b))
 - <u>Temporary MS Voter ID Card</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices must print in color on TVIC paper the Temporary MS Voter ID Card to those voters who submit an application for the MS Voter ID Card during the 45-days preceding the Primary Elections.
- 29th Absentee Ballot Deadline for Permanently Disabled Voters: Circuit Clerks' Offices mail absentee ballot to voters on the permanently disabled list. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-629(4))

JULY

- **Yoter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
 - <u>Voter Roll Maintenance:</u> County Election Commissioners meet to conduct voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from SEMS. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-153(1)(c))
- 4th STATE HOLIDAY
- 5th <u>Voter Registration:</u> Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
- **Voter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
- **Yoter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
- **8th Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2))
- Primary Election Voter Registration Deadline, 5:00 p.m. Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit or Municipal Clerk's Office today and those who mail registration applications postmarked no later than today are eligible to vote in the August 8, 2023 Primary Election. (MS Code Ann. §23-15-47(2)(a))
 - <u>Campaign Finance Deadline</u>, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Campaign Finance reports due in the appropriate office for 2023 candidates and political committees supporting or opposing 2023 candidates. (MS Code Ann. §23-15-807(b)(ii))
- **Appointment of Poll Managers:** Deadline by which County Election Officials must appoint poll managers. (MS Code Ann. §23-15-265(1))
- 29th Absentee Voting, 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653).
 - **UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline:** Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) from a UOCAVA voter. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2))
 - <u>Publication of Notice of Poll Manager Training:</u> Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five days before the date of training. (MS Code Ann. §23-15-239(4))
- Primary Runoff Election, Voter Registration Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Applicants who register inperson in the Circuit Clerks' Offices no later than 5:00 p.m. today and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today (7/31/2023) are eligible to vote in the August Primary Runoff Elections. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-37(2), 23-15-47(2)(a))

AUGUST

Publication of Notice of Resolution Board Meeting: Notice of the Resolution Board meeting to process absentee ballots must be posted five (5) business days prior to the election at the circuit clerk's office, at the meeting place or the county election commissioners, and on the website and/or social media page of the county if the county has a website and/or social media page. The notice must also be posted at each polling place on election day. (MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 3.1)

Publication of Notice of L&A Testing for Election: (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(b))

Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Pre-Primary Election Campaign Finance reports due in the appropriate office for all Primary candidates. All candidates in contested races must submit reports for contributions and expenditures through July 29, 2023. (MS Code Ann. § § 23-15-805, 23-15-807(b)(i))

- **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))
- **Campaign Finance 48-Hour Reporting Reminder:** Forty-Eight Hour Reports for candidates and committees supporting or opposing candidates are due within 48 hours of the receipt of any contributions exceeding \$200.00, received on or after Sunday, July 30 at 12:01 a.m. through Sunday, August 6 at 12:01 a.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(e))
- 5th <u>In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.:</u> Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653).
- **L & A Testing Deadline.** (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a)).
- **Primary Election Day** for Statewide, State District, Legislative, County and County District Offices. Polls open from 7 a.m. 7 p.m. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-1031)

<u>UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.:</u> Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerk's Office by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email or fax are timely and must be delivered to the Resolution Board for processing. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6))

<u>Postmark deadline:</u> Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-637)

- 10th <u>First day to Qualify</u>: Candidates for Consolidated/Consolidated Line School Board Trustee; Municipal Separate School District Trustee; Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee; County Board of Education (MS Code Ann. §§ 37-7-225, 37-7-211, 37-7-711, 37-5-9).
- Absentee Ballots Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-637(1)(a))

<u>Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:</u> 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; MS Code Ann. § 23-15-573(3)(d)(i))

<u>Canvass of Returns and Announcement of Results by County Election Officials:</u> Deadline for county officials to canvass and forward certified county results to state party Executive Committees and MSOS. (MS Code Ann § 23-15-597(1))

<u>Appointment of Poll Workers</u>: Deadline for Primary Runoff Election. (MS Code Ann § 23-15-265)

- Late Absentee Ballots: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Office after any applicable deadlines must be stamped with the date and hour of receipt and retained for twenty-two (22) months. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-647; 23-15-645(3))
- 18th Tabulated Statement of Party Vote: Deadline by which State Executive Committee(s) must declare results, transmit to MSOS tabulated statement of vote, announce names of nominees, and submit names of candidates for Primary Runoff. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-599)

<u>Deadline to Cure Signature Mismatch:</u> When a voter's absentee ballot is rejected under Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-639 for the signatures not corresponding on the absentee application and absentee ballot envelope, the registrar must notify the voter within one (1) business day of the election that the voter's absentee ballot has been tentatively rejected. A completed Absentee Cure Form must be returned to the registrar by noon (12:00 p.m.) on the 10th calendar day post-election. If a completed Absentee Cure Form is not returned within the allotted time, then the voter's absentee ballot will stand as rejected and not be counted. (MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 4.2)

- 19th Runoff Absentee Voting: Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653).
- **Publication of Notice of L&A Testing for Election:** (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(b))

<u>Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:</u> Pre-Runoff Election Campaign Finance reports due in the appropriate office for all Primary Runoff candidates. All candidates in contested races must submit reports for expenditures and contributions through August 19, 2023. (MS Code Ann. § § 23-15-805, 23-15-807(b)(i)).

- **Campaign Finance 48-Hour Reporting Deadline:** Forty-Eight Hour Reports due for candidates and committees supporting or opposing those candidates for contributions received on or after August 20 at 12:01 a.m. through Sunday, August 27 at 12:01 a.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(e))
- **Runoff Absentee Voting:** Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653).
- **27**th L & A Testing Deadline. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a))
- **Primary Runoff Election Day (if required):** Polls open from 7am 7pm. (MS Code Ann. § § 23-15-541(1); 23-15-1031)

<u>UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m., for Primary Runoff Election</u>: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. only from UOCAVA voters by email, fax or mail are timely, and should be delivered to the Resolution Board for processing. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6))

<u>Postmark deadline:</u> Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-637)

SEPTEMBER

4th LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

6th 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. (Miss. Const. 1890 § 249-A)

Absentee Ballots Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-637(1)(a))

<u>Canvass of Returns and Announcement of Results by County Election Officials:</u> Deadline for county officials to forward certified county run-off results to state party Executive Committees and MSOS. (MS Code Ann § 23-15-597(1))

Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Candidates for County and County-District Special Election(s) (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-839(1)); Consolidated/Consolidated Line School Board Trustee; Municipal Separate School District Trustee; Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee; County School Board of Education (MS Code Ann. §§ 37-7-225, 37-7-211, 37-7-711, 37-5-9).

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

<u>Absentee Ballot Applications:</u> Must be available in the Circuit Clerk's Office. MS Code Ann. § 23-15-625(1)

- 7th <u>Late Absentee Ballots</u>: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices after any applicable deadlines must be stamped with the date and hour of receipt and retained for twenty-two (22) months. (MS Code Ann. § 23- 15-647)
- **Tabulated Statement of Party Vote:** Deadline by which State Executive Committees declare primary runoff election results, forward to the Secretary of State the tabulated statements of the vote, announce the names of the party nominees and submit the names of candidates for the General Election. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-599)
- 11th <u>Voter Roll Maintenance:</u> 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))
- 13th 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))
- 23rd Absentee Ballots must be available in the Circuit Clerks' Offices. An absentee ballot must be mailed to all voters who applied before absentee ballots are available. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-715(b))

<u>UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline:</u> Circuit Clerks' Offices send absentee ballots 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)

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

<u>Temporary MS Voter ID Card</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices must print in color on TVIC paper the Temporary MS Voter ID Card to those voters who submit an application for the MS Voter ID Card during the 45-days preceding the General Election.

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

OCTOBER

- **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
- **Yoter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
- 4th <u>Voter Registration:</u> Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
- 5th <u>Voter Registration:</u> Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
- **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)).
- 7th <u>Voter Registration:</u> Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon. (Miss Code Ann. § 23-15-37 (2))
- 9th <u>Voter Registration Deadline</u>: Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit or Municipal Clerk's Office today are eligible to vote in the November 7, 2023 General Election. (MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-37(2); 23-15-47(2)(a))
- **Deadline for mailed voter registration applications:** All mailed voter registration applications must be postmarked by this date. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-47(2))
 - <u>Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:</u> Periodic Campaign Finance reports due in the appropriate office for 2023 candidates and political committees supporting or opposing 2023 candidates. (MS Code Ann. §23-15-807(b)(ii))
- **28**th **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))
 - <u>Absentee Voting, 12:00 p.m.:</u> Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653)

<u>Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training:</u> 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(4))

- General/Special Election Runoff Voter Registration Deadline: Applicants who register inperson in the Circuit Clerk's office today and those who mail registration applications postmarked no later than today are eligible to vote in the General Election. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-47)
- 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 or Special Election must file Pre-Election Reports in the appropriate office for expenditures and contributions through October 28, 2022. (MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-805, 23-15-807(b)(i))

Publication of Notice of L&A Testing for Election: (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(b))

<u>Publication of Notice of Resolution Board Meeting</u>: Notice of the Resolution Board meeting to process absentee ballots must be posted five (5) business days prior to the election at the circuit clerk's office, at the meeting place or the county election commissioners, and on the website and/or social media page of the county if the county has a website and/or social media page. The notice must also be posted at each polling place on election day. (MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 3.1)

NOVEMBER

- **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))
- **Campaign Finance 48-Hour Reporting Deadline**: Forty-Eight Hour Reports due for candidates and committees supporting or opposing those candidates for contributions received from Sunday, October 29 at 12:01 a.m. through Sunday, November 5 at 12:01 a.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(1)*)
- 4th <u>In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.:</u> Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8 a.m. until 12 noon. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653)
- 5th <u>L & A Testing Deadline.</u> (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a))
- **General Election Day and Regular Special Election Day**. Polls open from 7 a.m. 7 p.m. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-541(1))

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerk's Office by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email or fax are timely and must be delivered to the Resolution Board for processing. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6))

Postmark deadline: Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-637)

- 10th ARMISTICE DAY (VETERAN'S DAY) OBSERVED: State offices are closed.
- 11th ARMISTICE DAY (VETERAN'S DAY)
- Absentee Ballots Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (MS Code Ann § 23-15-637(1)(a))

<u>Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:</u> 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; MS Code Ann. §23-15-573(3)(d)(i))

- Late Absentee Ballots: 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 twenty-two (22) months. (42 U.S.C. § 1973, MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-647; 23-15-645(3))
- Deadline to Cure Signature Mismatch: When a voter's absentee ballot is rejected under Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-639 for the signatures not corresponding on the absentee application and absentee ballot envelope, the registrar must notify the voter within one (1) business day of the election that the voter's absentee ballot has been tentatively rejected. A completed Absentee Cure Form must be returned to the registrar by noon (12:00 p.m.) on the 10th calendar day post-election. If a completed Absentee Cure Form is not returned within the allotted time, then the voter's absentee ballot will stand as rejected and not be counted. (MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 4.2)

<u>Delivery of Returns Deadline</u>: County Election Commissioners transmit to MSOS their counties General/Special Election returns, including certified recap sheets and statement of the whole number of votes given in the county for each candidate. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-603(1))

Absentee Voting for the General Election Runoff, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653)

<u>UOCAVA Voter Registration General Election Runoff Deadline:</u> Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) from a UOCAVA voter. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2))

<u>Circuit Clerks' Office must mail an absentee ballot available through SEMS</u> to all voters on the county's permanently disabled voters list and to those voters who completed an absentee ballot application before the Runoff Election ballot was available. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-629(4), 23-15-715)

<u>Publication of Notice of Poll Manager Training for the General Election Runoff</u>: 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(4))

Publication of Notice of L&A Testing for Runoff Election: County Election Commissioners must provide public notice of the time and location of L&A testing at least five (5) days prior to the date of the testing. Candidates, candidate representatives, political parties, news media and the public are permitted to observe L&A testing. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(b))

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 or Special Election must file Pre-Election Reports in the appropriate office for disbursements and expenditures occurred between November 6, 2022 and November 18, 2022. (MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-805, 23-15-807(b)(i))

- **Campaign Finance 48-Hour Reporting Deadline:** Forty-Eight Hour Reports due for candidates and committees supporting or opposing those candidates for contributions received on or after November 19 at 12:01 a.m. through Sunday, November 26 at 12:01 a.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(e))
- 23rd THANKSGIVING DAY STATE AND COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED

Poll Manager Training Deadline for Runoff Election: No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in the Primary Runoff Election(s) unless he/she has received training within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of the election. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(a))

- 24th STATE AND COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED
- **In-Person Runoff Election Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.:** Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8 a.m. until 12 noon. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-653)
- 26th L & A Testing Deadline for the General Election Runoff. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a))
- **General Election Runoff Day (if required)** Polls open from 7 a.m. 7 p.m. (MS Code Ann. § 23-15-541(1))
- 30th Notice of Party's Intention to Hold Presidential Preference Primary: The respective chair of each party's State Executive Committee must notify the Secretary of State if the party intends to hold a presidential preference primary. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-1085)

DECEMBER

Absentee Ballots Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline for the General Election Runoff, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (MS Code Ann § 23-15-637(1)(a))

<u>Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline for the General Election Runoff, 5:00 p.m.:</u> 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; MS Code Ann. §23-15-573(3)(d)(i))

6th <u>Late Absentee Ballots:</u> 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 twenty-two (22) months. (42 U.S.C. § 1973, MS Code Ann. §§ 23-15-647; 23-15-645(3))

- 7th Ascertainment of Vote and Declaration of Results by the Secretary of State: (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-605)
- Deadline to Cure Signature Mismatch: When a voter's absentee ballot is rejected under Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-639 for the signatures not corresponding on the absentee application and absentee ballot envelope, the registrar must notify the voter within one (1) business day of the election that the voter's absentee ballot has been tentatively rejected. A completed Absentee Cure Form must be returned to the registrar by noon (12:00 p.m.) on the 10th calendar day post-election. If a completed Absentee Cure Form is not returned within the allotted time, then the voter's absentee ballot will stand as rejected and not be counted. (MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 4.2)

Canvass of Returns and Declaration of Runoff Election Results by County Election Commission(s) Deadline for the General Election Runoff: County Election Commission(s) transmit to the MSOS their counties' Runoff Election returns, including certified recap sheets and statement of the whole number of votes given in the county for each candidate. MS Code Ann. §23-15-603)

- 11th National Voter Registration Act, Systematic Purging Deadline: This date is within ninety (90) days of a federal election. No voters may be removed from the voter roll after this date based upon the confirmation card process. However, voters MAY continue to be removed from the voter roll based upon proof of death, conviction of a disenfranchising crime, adjudication of incompetence and a written request for removal signed by the voter. (52 U. S. C. A. § 20507)
- 25th CHRISTMAS DAY: STATE OFFICES CLOSED