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2020 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

- **Qualifying Period Begins**. First day candidates may file petitions and/or qualifying statements and pay qualifying fees for the offices of President, U. S. Senate, U. S. Representative, Supreme Court Justice, County Election Commission, Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Commission and Miss. Levee Commission. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299*, 23-15-359, 23-15-977, 23-15-1093)
- 7th <u>Legislative Session Begins.</u> (Miss. Const. 1890 §36 and Miss. Code Ann. § 5-1-7)
- **Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.**: Party Primary and General Election qualifying deadline for all candidates for U. S. Senate, U. S. Representative and Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Commission. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299, 23-15-359*)

State Party Executive Committees forward copies of all qualifying papers, with proof of payment of qualifying fees, to MSOS by 6:00 p.m.

Permanently Disabled Voters List: Deadline for Circuit Clerk Offices to deliver to the Election Commissions the list of permanently disabled voters who receive absentee ballots automatically for the March 10, 2020 Primary Elections. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3))

Absentee Ballot Applications: Absentee ballot applications are available in the Circuit Clerks' Office for the March 10, 2020 Primary Election. Absentee ballots will not be available at this time. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-625)

Mandatory Voter Roll Maintenance: County Election Commissioners meet to purge rolls. (*Miss. 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*. Voters may continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crimes, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary request.

<u>Party Candidate Lists</u>: Deadline for the Secretary of State to receive from all political parties a certified list of candidates qualifying for the 2020 Primary and General Elections, with mailing address and office sought. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-296*)

15th <u>Presidential Preference Primary Election Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.</u> (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-1093)

State Party Executive Committees forward copies of all qualifying papers for Presidential candidates, with proof of payment of qualifying fees, to MSOS by 6:00 p.m.

20th HOLIDAY

Primary Election Sample Ballot Deadline: Deadline for the state executive committee of each political party to furnish to MSOS the names of the qualified candidates seeking Federal office. MSOS publishes the Primary Election sample ballot of only the Federal races to the counties. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-331*)

First UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Transmitted: Circuit Clerks' Offices send absentee ballots for the first and second Primary Elections to UOCAVA (Uniformed and Overseas Citizens) voters who requested an absentee ballot this calendar year, i.e., since Jan. 1, 2020. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-685*)

<u>Permanently Disabled Voter List</u>: County Election Commission returns the updated list to the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

- 27th Absentee Ballots Available: Earliest day to vote by an absentee ballot in the Circuit Clerk's Office in the Primary Election. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-715)
 - **Required Issuance of TVIC**: Circuit Clerks' Office issue a Temporary Miss. Voter ID card (TVIC) to voters who apply and are eligible for the Miss. Voter ID card through the date of the second Primary Election.
- **Permanently Disabled Absentee Voters**: Circuit Clerks' Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the permanently disabled list. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(4)*)
- **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m**.: Annual Reports due in the respective office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(iii)*)

FEBRUARY

- 3rd <u>Voter Registration</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)
- **Yoter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)
 - <u>Mandatory Voter Roll Maintenance</u>: County Election Commissioners meet to purge rolls. (*Miss. 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. Voters may continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crime, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary request.
- 5th <u>Voter Registration</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)
- 6th <u>Voter Registration</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)
- 7th <u>Voter Registration</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)
- 8th <u>Voter Registration</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices must remain open this Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon for voter registration. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)

- 10th Primary Election Voter Registration Deadline: Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit Clerk's office today and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the March 10, 2020 Primary Elections. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-47)
- 17th HOLIDAY
- **Appointment of Poll Workers**: Deadline by which County Election Officials appoint poll managers for the Primary Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-265*)
 - **Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training**: County Election Officials must post notice of the time and location of poll manager training at the Courthouse and publish the same in a newspaper at least five (5) days prior to the date of the training. (*Miss. Code Ann. §* 23-15-239(1)(4))
- **Publication of Notice of L&A Testing**: County Election Officials 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. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(b))
- **29**th <u>UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline</u>: To be eligible to vote in the upcoming Primary Elections, Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed FPCA from a UOCAVA voter. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2)*)

Absentee Voting: Circuit Clerks' Office must be open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653)

MARCH

- 2nd Primary Runoff Election Voter Registration Deadline: Applicants who register inperson in the Circuit Clerk's office today and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the March 31, 2020 Primary Runoff Elections, if any. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23–15–37(2)) (Moved to May 26, 2020)
 - **Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.** Non-partisan judicial offices, i.e., Supreme Court (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-977*)
- **Poll Manager Training Deadline**: No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in the Primary Election 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)*)
- 7th <u>In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)

- 8th L&A Testing Deadline. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a))
- Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-637)
- **10th** PRIMARY ELECTION DAY. Polling places open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-1031*)

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY: Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee District Commissioner (Gen. Laws of 1930, Ch. 85, Gen. Laws of 1968, Ch. 574, Gen. Laws of 1983, Ch. 317)

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

Presidential Only, Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. must be delivered to the voters' respective precincts for processing by the poll managers and if accepted, counted for the Presidential race only. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-731)

- 11th <u>Late Received Absentee Ballots</u>: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Office after the 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, 23-15-733)
- 17th Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter photo ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerks' Offices. (Miss. Const. 1890 § 249-A)
- 19th Canvass of Returns and Announcement of Results: County Election Officials forward certified election results to the respective State Executive Committee and MSOS. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-597)
- **Tabulated Statement of Party Vote**: Deadline by which State Executive Committees declare primary election results, forward to MSOS the tabulated statements of the vote, announce the names of the party nominees and submit the names of candidates for the Runoff Elections. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-599)
- 25th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2 National Voter Registration Act, Systematic Purging Deadline: Voters may not be purged from the voter roll based upon the confirmation card process or made inactive within 90 days before the date of the Federal General Election. (52 U. S. C. A. § 20507)

31st PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION DAY. Polling places are open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-1031) (Moved to June 23, 2020 via Governor's Executive Order)

APRIL

27th HOLIDAY

MAY

- **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.**: All judicial candidates seeking election this year, and political committees which have received contributions or made expenditures in support of or in opposition to judicial candidates must file the May 8th Periodic Report with the Secretary of State's Office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807*)
- 9th Runoff UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Transmitted if not previously sent: Circuit Clerks' Offices send absentee ballots for the second Primary Elections to UOCAVA (Uniformed and Overseas Citizens) voters who requested an absentee ballot this calendar year, i.e., since Jan. 1, 2020 and not already received a ballot. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-685)
- 10th <u>Legislative Session Ends</u>: Sine Die (Miss. Const.1890 §36) (Calendar to be updated when legislature resumes and announces updated Sine Die.)
- 11th Absentee Ballots Available: Earliest day to vote by an absentee ballot in the Circuit Clerk's Office in the Primary Runoff Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-715*)
 - **Required Issuance of TVIC**: Circuit Clerks' Office issue a Temporary Miss. Voter ID card (TVIC) to voters who apply and are eligible for the Miss. Voter ID card through the date of the second Primary Election.
- **Permanently Disabled Absentee Voters**: Circuit Clerks' Office must mail an absentee ballot to all voters on the county's permanently disabled voters list and to those voters who complete an absentee ballot application before Primary Runoff Election absentee ballots are available. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-629(4), 23-15-715)
- 25th STATE AND FEDERAL HOLIDAY
- **Primary Runoff Election Voter Registration Deadline**: Applicants who register inperson in the Circuit Clerk's office and those who mail registration applications postmarked no later than today are eligible to vote in the June 23 Primary Runoff Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2)*)

Voter Registration Deadline for the Special Election in House District 88 (Jasper and Jones County): Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit Clerk's office and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the Special Election for House District 88. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37(2))

JUNE

- 1st Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: General Election qualifying deadline for County Election Commission. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-213)
- 9th Appointment of Poll Workers for Primary Runoff Elections: Deadline by which County Election Officials appoint poll managers for the Runoff Election. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-265)
 - Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training for Primary Runoff Election: County Election Officials post notice of the time and location of poll manager training at the Courthouse and publish the same in a newspaper at least five (5) days prior to the date of the training. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4))
 - **Publication of Notice of L&A Testing for Primary Runoff Election**: County Election Officials 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. (*Miss. Code Ann. §* 23-15-531.6(3)(b))
- 10th Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: All judicial candidates seeking election this year, and political committees which have received contributions or made expenditures in support of or in opposition to judicial candidates must file the June 10th Periodic Report with the Secretary of State's office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807*)
- 13th Runoff Election Absentee Voting: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)
 - <u>UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline</u>: To be eligible to vote in the upcoming Runoff Primary Elections, Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed FPCA from a UOCAVA voter. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2))
- **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))
- 20th In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m., for Primary Runoff Election: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653)
- **21**st <u>L&A Testing Deadline for Primary Runoff Election</u>. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a))

- 22nd Absentee Ballot by Mail Deadline, 5:00 p.m., for Primary Runoff Election: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. This is not a postmark deadline but an actual receipt deadline. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-637)
- **PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION DAY**. Polling places are open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-1031) (Moved via Executive Order from March 31)

SPECIAL ELECTION FOR MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 88: Jasper and Jones Counties.

23rd UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. from UOCAVA voters by email, fax or mail are timely, and should be delivered to the voters' respective precincts for processing by the poll managers. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6))

Late Received Absentee Ballots: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices after the 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, 23-15-733)

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

JULY

- 2nd Canvass of Returns and Announcement of Primary Runoff Election Results: County Election Officials forward certified election results to the respective State Party Executive Committee and MSOS. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-597)
- Tabulated Statement of Party Vote: Deadline by which State Executive Committees declare primary runoff election results, forward to MSOS 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)
- 3rd STATE HOLIDAY OBSERVED
- 10th Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: All judicial candidates seeking election this year, and political committees which have received contributions or made expenditures in support of or in opposition to judicial candidates must file the July 10th Periodic Report with the Secretary of State's office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807*)

AUGUST

Oualifying Period Begins. First day candidates may file petitions and/or qualifying statements for the offices of County School Board, Municipal Separate School District Trustee, Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee or Consolidated/Consolidated Line School District Trustee. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-5-9, 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 or made inactive within 90 days before the date of the Federal General Election. (52 U. S. C. A. § 20507)

SEPTEMBER

4th Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Candidates for the offices of County School Board, Municipal Separate School District Trustee, Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee or Consolidated/Consolidated Line School District Trustee. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-5-9, 37-7-211, 37-7-225, 37-7-711)

Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Candidates for a County Special Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-839*)

<u>Permanently Disabled Voters List</u>: Circuit Clerks deliver the permanently disabled voter list to the Election Commission for purging prior to the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629*)

- 4th <u>Absentee Ballot Applications</u>: Absentee ballot applications are available in the Circuit Clerks' Office for the November 3, 2020 General Election. Absentee ballots will not be available at this time. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-625*)
- 7th STATE HOLIDAY
- 9th General Election Sample Ballot Deadline: Deadline by which the MSOS publishes the official November General Election sample ballot of Federal and judicial races to the counties. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-367(3))
- **Mandatory Voter Roll Maintenance**: County Election Commissioners meet to purge rolls. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-153(1)(d)*)

NOTE: This date is within 90 days of a federal election – no systematic purging may occur at this time. Voters may continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crimes, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary request.

- 19th <u>UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Transmitted</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices send absentee ballots for the General Election (and any possible runoff election) to UOCAVA voters who requested an absentee ballot this calendar year, i.e., since Jan. 1, 2020. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-685*)
 - <u>Permanently Disabled Voter List</u>: County Election Commission returns the updated list to the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)
- 21st <u>Absentee Ballots Available</u>: Earliest day to vote by an absentee ballot in the Circuit Clerk's Office in the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-715*)
 - **Required Issuance of TVIC**: Circuit Clerks' Office issue a Temporary Miss. Voter ID card (TVIC) to voters who apply and are eligible for the Miss. Voter ID card through the date of the General Election.
- **Permanently Disabled Absentee Voters**: Circuit Clerks' Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the permanently disabled list. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(4)*)
- **Yoter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)
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OCTOBER

- 1st <u>Voter Registration</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)
- **Yoter Registration**: Circuit Clerks' Offices may remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*)
- 3rd <u>Voter Registration</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices must remain open this Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon for voter registration. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37*).
- General Election Voter Registration Deadline: Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit Clerk's office today and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the General Election. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-47)

Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: All judicial candidates seeking election this year, and political committees which have received contributions or made expenditures in support of or in opposition to judicial candidates must file the October 9th Periodic Report with the Secretary of State's office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807*)

12th FEDERAL HOLIDAY

- **Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training**: County Election Officials must post notice of the time and location of poll manager training at the Courthouse and publish the same in a newspaper at least five (5) days prior to the date of the training. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4))
- 24th <u>UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline</u>: To be eligible to vote in the upcoming General Election, Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed FPCA from a UOCAVA voter. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2))

Absentee Voting: Circuit Clerks' Office must be open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653)

- **General/Special Election Runoff Voter Registration Deadline**: Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit Clerk's office today and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-47*)
 - <u>Publication of Notice of L&A Testing</u>: County Election Officials 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. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(b)*)
- 27th Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: All opposed judicial candidates seeking election this year, and political committees which have accepted contributions or made expenditures in support of or in opposition to these judicial candidates and county general or special election candidates must file the Pre-Election Report with the appropriate office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(i)*)
- **Poll Manager Training Deadline**: No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in the General Election 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))
- 31st <u>In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)

NOVEMBER

- 1st <u>L&A Testing Deadline</u>. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a))
- **GENERAL ELECTION and REGULAR SPECIAL ELECTION DAY**: Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-833*)
 - <u>UOCAVA Absentee Ballot returned by email and fax Deadline, 7:00 p.m.</u>: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email and fax are timely. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6))
- 10th Absentee Ballot by Mail, including Presidential-only Absentee by Mail Ballot and UOCAVA Absentee by Mail Ballot, 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 to be timely. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-637)
 - **Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.**: Last day voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter photo ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerks' Offices. (*Miss. Const. 1890 § 249-A*)
- **Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training**: County Election Officials must post notice of the time and location of poll manager training at the Courthouse and publish the same in a newspaper at least five (5) days prior to the date of the training. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-239(1)(4))
- 11th State Holiday
- Late Received Absentee Ballots: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Office after the 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, 23-15-733)
- 13th <u>Delivery of Returns</u>: Deadline for County Election Commissions to transmit to the Secretary of State their counties' General Election returns, including their certified recap sheets and the total number of votes cast in the county for each candidate. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§* 23-15-601, 23-15-603)
- 14th Absentee Voting: Circuit Clerks' Office must be open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653)
 - <u>UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices send absentee ballots for the General Runoff Election to UOCAVA voters who requested an absentee ballot this calendar year, i.e., since Jan. 1, 2020. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-685*)

- Absentee Ballots for Permanently Disabled Voters: Circuit Clerks' Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the permanently disabled list. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(4))
- **Publication of Notice of L&A Testing**: County Election Officials 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. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(b))
- Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: All opposed judicial candidates in a runoff election, and political committees which have accepted contributions or made expenditures in support of or in opposition to these judicial candidates, and county general and special election candidates in a runoff election must file the Pre-Runoff Report with the appropriate office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(b)(i)*)
- **Poll Manager Training Deadline**: No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in the General Runoff Election 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))
- 21st <u>In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 5:00 p.m.</u>: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-653*)
- **22nd** L&A Testing Deadline. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-531.6(3)(a))
- **Determination of Election for Supreme Court.** (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-607)
- **24th** GENERAL and SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION DAY: Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-833*)
 - <u>UOCAVA Absentee Ballot returned by email and fax Deadline, 7:00 p.m.</u>: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerks' Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email and fax are timely. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)
- 26th STATE HOLIDAY
- 27th STATE HOLIDAY

DECEMBER

Absentee Ballot by Mail, UOCAVA Absentee by Mail Ballot, 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/before election day to be timely. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-637)

<u>Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.</u>: Last day voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter photo ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerks' Offices. (*Miss. Const. 1890 § 249-A*)

Declaration of Results by Secretary of State. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-605)

Late Received Absentee Ballots, 5:00 p.m.: The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerks' Office after the 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, 23-15-733)

<u>Delivery of Returns</u>: Deadline for County Election Commissions to transmit to the Secretary of State their counties' General Election returns, including their certified recap sheets and the total number of votes cast in the county for each candidate. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-601, 23-15-603*)

- 14th <u>Determination of Election for Supreme Court Justices (if a runoff occurs)</u>. (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-607)
- 25th STATE HOLIDAY