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SECRETARY OF STATE

TO: Mississippi County Party Executive Committees

CC: The Mississippi Democratic Party
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SUBJECT: Required Elections Training Sessions for County Party Executive Committees

The Secretary of State's Office is committed to the idea that elections are a team effort. No one person should ever have to navigate the process of implementing an election on their own. We strive to see that you are well prepared in serving your constituents and ours.

Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-211(4) the Secretary of State's Office will host elections training for the chairperson of each county party executive committees, or his or her designee. The chairperson, or his or her designee, of each county party executive committee is **required to attend**. Our office will issue a certificate of training to all attendees upon completion of this training. The certificate will state the officials' are qualified to conduct the Primary Election in 2023.

Our office will host four (4) total training sessions. The date and location of each training is as follows:

- **Tupelo** – January 10th, 2023, from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM
Itawamba Community College (Belden Campus) RM 509, 3200 Adams Farm Rd, Belden, MS 38751
- **Indianola** – January 11, 2023, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Mississippi Delta Community College (Capps Technology Center)
920 Highway 82 W, Indianola, MS 38751
- **Hattiesburg** – January 17th, 2023, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Jackie Sherrill Community Center 220 W Front St, Hattiesburg, MS 39401

- **Jackson** – January 18th, 2023, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Agriculture Museum- Sparkman Auditorium, 1150 Lakeland Dr, Jackson, MS 39216

These training sessions are provided at no cost to you. However, you will be responsible for bring your own materials [found on our website](#). Lunch will also not be provided.

Please [click here to fill out an electronic pre-registration form](#) or follow the [link found on our website](#). Please be sure to register **no later than one (1) week prior to the date of the training**.

If your executive committee is eligible under Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-266 and wishes to avail itself of its responsibilities pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-239(2), 23-15-265(2), 23-15-267(4), 23-15-333(4), 23-15-335(2) or 23-15-597(2), please file a copy of the signed contract with our office **no later than March 17, 2023**, so that we can ensure compliance and communicate with the proper officials.

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the information below. We look forward to working with you all.

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