

Election Spreadsheet directions

Inasmuch as the organization of objections to nomination petitions in a uniform electronic format may facilitate the proceedings in these matters, objections to nomination petitions filed in the Court's original jurisdiction may be submitted in electronic format. Filing in this manner is **encouraged but not required** and shall be in addition to, not in lieu of, the regular paper format filing requirements. Those choosing to file electronically shall do so in the following manner:

1. Petitions shall specify Objections to individual signature lines in nomination papers and these shall be set forth on a disk in an EXCEL® spreadsheet format, using the downloadable spreadsheet provided here:

2. Columns shall include, for each challenged signature: Page, line, county and the reason or reasons for each challenge, as designated in the spreadsheet on the Court's website. The spreadsheet designates the grounds for challenge in a code, as follows:

NR = Not Registered

NRA = Not Registered at Address

NRDS = Not Registered on Date Signed

OC = Out of County

Ill = Illegible

LIO = Line Information Omitted

DUP = Duplicate

IHA = Information in Hand of Another (including forged signatures)

N/I = Nickname/Initial

PRI = Printed Signature

DCA = Defective Circulator Affidavit

SAC = Signed After Circulator's Affidavit Dated

Other = Any ground for objection not listed above

3. Objections shall clearly state the number of signatures challenged as well as the total number of signatures on the face of the nomination papers.

4. Any "global" legal challenges must be clearly and separately stated in the objection petition.

5. In addition to the regular service requirements, Objector shall serve the Candidate with a copy of the disk, if one is filed with the court.