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MEMORANDUM

TO: Candidates in the 69th State Assembly District Special Election

FROM: Richard Bohringer
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DATE: September 4, 2013

SUBJECT: Special Election – Ballot Access and Campaign Finance Filing Deadlines

On September 4, 2013, the Governor issued an executive order calling a special election for the 69th State Assembly District. The order was filed in the offices of the Government Accountability Board on Wednesday, September 4, 2013. The election will be held on November 19, 2013, and a primary election if necessary would be October 22, 2013.

This memo contains information on deadlines associated with the special election. Forms may be found on the Government Accountability Board website at <http://gab.wi.gov> or by contacting the Government Accountability Board office. If you have any questions about this information, please contact our office at 608-261-2028.

Campaign Registration Statement

All candidates are required to register their campaign committee (file a campaign registration statement, GAB-1) with the Government Accountability Board as soon as they form the intent to become a candidate and before any funds are collected or spent. §§11.05(2g), 11.10(1), Wis. Stats. New candidates may register their campaign committee with the Government Accountability Board, Ethics and Accountability Division on-line at <http://cfis.wi.gov/Public/Registration.aspx?page=Candidate> no later than **5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, September 24, 2013**. *New Candidates*, in addition to registering on-line, must print, sign and mail the registration form to the Government Accountability Board, P.O. Box 7984, Madison, WI 53707-7984

A current campaign registration statement can be amended on line at <http://cfis.wi.gov/> by logging on and then by indicating the office sought and the special election dates. (No hard copy is required.)

All candidates should register or amend their registration using the link above **before** circulating nomination papers. ***If the registration statement is not filed by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24, 2013, the candidate's name may not be placed on the ballot.***

Declaration of Candidacy

Candidates must complete and submit a Declaration of Candidacy (GAB-162) by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24, 2013. This form must be filed with the Government Accountability Board on time or the candidate's name will not appear on the ballot.

Nomination Papers

The first day to circulate nomination papers (GAB-168) for the special election is September 4, 2013, the day the order was filed in the offices of the Government Accountability Board. The last day to circulate nomination papers is September 24, 2013. ***Nomination papers must be submitted to the Government Accountability Board by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24, 2013.*** Candidates must submit at least the following number of signatures depending on the office sought:

Office	Minimum # signatures	Maximum # signatures
State Assembly	200	400

Statement of Economic Interests

All candidates are required to file a ***Statement of Economic Interests (SEI)*** with the Government Accountability Board, Ethics and Accountability Division. The SEI must be received in the G.A.B. office no later than **4:30 p.m. on Friday, September 27, 2013**. (Faxed copies are acceptable.) The form and instructions may be printed from the Government Accountability Board's website at <http://gab.wi.gov/forms/financial-disclosure/gab-901>. Candidates that have already filed a statement for 2012 activity do not need to file again:

Campaign Finance Reports

Special elections only require a Primary if there are two or more candidates on the ballot from the same party for the same office.

PRIMARY 10/22/13 AND ELECTION 11/19/13		
REPORT	DUE DATE	REPORTING PERIOD
Special Pre-Primary Report	October 15, 2013	From July 1, 2013, or the date of registration, through October 7, 2013.
Special Pre-Election Report	November 12, 2013	From October 8, 2013, through November 4, 2013.
Post Election Report <i>(Candidates ONLY)</i>	December 19, 2013 <i>(Candidates ONLY)</i>	From November 5, 2013 through December 11, 2013 <i>(Candidates ONLY)</i>
January Continuing	January 31, 2014	From December 12, 2013, or the closing date of your last report, through December 31, 2013

NOTE: Only candidates in the Special Election are required to file the Post Election report. PACs, Parties, Conduits do not file a Post Election, only the January Continuing by January 31, 2014.