

## **2012 ELECTION CALENDAR FOR VOTERS & CANDIDATES**

- **October 3, 2011** – Candidate nominating petitions and Candidate Guide available from County Clerk and Secretary of State, online, in person and by telephone.

**Offices on the ballot in 2012 are:**

**Federal Offices: President and Vice President; US Senate and U.S. House of Representatives, Districts 1, 2 & 3**

**State Offices: Public Regulation Commission, Districts 1 & 3; Public Education Commission, Districts 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9,10; District Attorneys, All 13 Districts**

**Retention Judges (General Election Only): One Justice of the Supreme Court and Two Judges of the Court of Appeals**

**Legislative Offices: All 42 State Senators and all 70 State Representatives**

**Santa Fe County Offices: County Commission, Districts 2, 4 & 5; County Clerk, County Treasurer**

- **January 30, 2012** – Governor issues Primary Election Proclamation

**This is the last day a candidate may change name, political party affiliation or register in the district where the candidate is seeking office**

- **February 14, 2012** – Filing Day for Federal Offices at Secretary of State's office from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.
- **March 20, 2012** – Filing day for Public Regulation Commission, Public Education Commission, District Attorneys, State Senate (multi-county districts), State Representative (multi-county districts) & write-in candidates at Secretary of State from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- **Filing Day for Santa Fe County Offices, State Senate (single-county districts), State Representative (single-county districts) & county offices**

**at County Clerk's office 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

- **April 3, 2012 – Last day a candidate may withdraw from Primary Election**
- **April 9, 2012 – Campaign Reports Due – All candidates file with Secretary of State – call (505) 827-3600 for information**
- **May 8, 2012 – Voter Registration Closes at 5:00 p.m.**

**Registration forms postmarked, signed and dated May 8<sup>th</sup> or before, will be accepted if they arrive at the clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Signed and dated forms may also be hand-delivered to the county clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>.**

- **May 8, 2012 – Begin Absentee Voting by mail and in-person at County Clerk's office**
- **May 14, 2012 – Campaign Report Due – All candidates file with Secretary of State – call (505) 827-3600 for information**
- **May 19, 2012 – Begin Early Voting. (Locations to be announced)**
- **May 31, 2012 – Candidate 48-Hour Report Due – All candidates file with Secretary of State – call (505) 827-3600**
- **June 2, 2012 – Early Voting & Absentee in-person ends**
- **June 5, 2012 – ELECTION DAY – Polling places open from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**
- **June 26, 2012 – Filing Day – Minor Party, Independent and Write-in Candidates & Judicial Retention. 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
- **July 5, 2012 – Campaign Report Due – All candidates file with Secretary of State – call (505) 827-3600 for information**

- **September 4, 2012** – Last day a candidate may withdraw from General Election
- **September 10, 2012** – Campaign Report Due – All candidates file with Secretary of State – call (505) 827-3600 for information
- **October 8, 2012** – Campaign Report Due – All candidates file with Secretary of State – call (505) 827-3600
- **October 9, 2012** – Voter Registration Closes at 5:00 p.m.

Registration forms postmarked, signed and dated October 9th or before, will be accepted if they arrive at the clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 12th. Signed and dated forms may also be hand-delivered to the county clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

- **October 9, 2012** – Begin Absentee Voting by mail and in-person at the county clerk's office
- **October 20, 2012** – Begin Early Voting (locations to be announced)
- **November 1, 2012** – Candidate 48-Hour Report Due – All candidates file with Secretary of State – call (505) 827-3600
- **November 3, 2012** – Absentee and Early Voting ends.
- **November 6, 2012** – ELECTION DAY – Polling places open from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- **December 6, 2012** – Campaign Report Due – All candidates file with Secretary of State – call (505) 827-3600