STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Nomination Paper
(For State General Election)
RSA 655:40 – 45)

The subscriber, a registered voter in the State of New Hampshire, hereby makes the following nomination to be voted for at the state general election to be held on **November 6, 2012**, and requests that the name of said candidate be placed upon the official ballot to be used in said election as a candidate of the following Political Organization _____.

Candidate's Name _____

Candidate's Domicile _____
(street) (town or city) (ward) (zip)

For the Office of _____District No. _____

RSA 655:45

No person shall falsely make or file or knowingly deface or destroy any nomination paper, or any part thereof, or sign any nomination paper contrary to the provisions of law knowing the same, or any part thereof, to be falsely made or suppress any nomination paper, or any part thereof, which has been duly filed. Whoever knowingly violates any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor if a natural person or be guilty of a felony if any other person.

Voter's Signature _____ Date: _____

Print Voter's Name _____

Voter's Domicile _____
(street address) (town or city) (ward)

Voter's Mailing Address _____
(street address) (town or city) (ward)

CERTIFICATE OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

The undersigned, a **MAJORITY** of the **SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST** (or Registrars of Voters), hereby certify that the voter signing this nomination paper is a registered voter in the town/ward of

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☐ The signer of this paper is **NOT** a registered voter in this town or ward Date signed _____

RSA 655:41, II. The city clerk may certify that the signer is a registered voter, if in a city.

Filing Deadlines:
August 8, 2012 – Last day to submit signed nomination papers to Supervisors of the Checklist in town or city
August 29, 2012 5:00 p.m. – Supervisors must have nomination papers certified for candidates and organizations
September 5, 2012 5:00 p.m. – Last day to file certified nomination papers with Secretary of State's Office

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Nomination by Nomination Papers

655:40 General Provisions. As an alternative to nomination by party primary, a candidate may have his or her name placed on the ballot for the state general election by submitting the requisite number of nomination papers. Such papers shall contain the name and domicile of the candidate, the office for which the candidate is nominated and the political organization or principles the candidate represents. Nomination papers shall be signed by such persons only as are registered to vote at the state general election. No voter shall sign more than one nomination paper for each office to be voted for, and no nomination paper shall contain the names of more candidates than there are offices to be filled. Each voter shall sign an individual nomination paper. ***Nomination papers shall be dated in the year of the election.***

655:41 Certification. **I**. Each nomination paper shall be submitted to the supervisors of the checklist of the town or ward in which the signer is domiciled or is registered, and a majority of the supervisors shall certify whether or not the signer is a registered voter in said town or ward. The **supervisors of the checklist** shall certify nomination papers under this section in a timely fashion, so that their certification shall be complete for each candidate, together with any objections to the nomination papers submitted, no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday 2 weeks before the primary **(August 29, 2012**). Each nomination paper shall be submitted to the supervisors of the checklist no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday 5 weeks before the primary (**August 8, 2012).**
II. The city clerk may perform the responsibilities of the supervisors of the checklist under this section.

655:42 Number. I. It shall require the names of 3,000 registered voters, 1,500 from each United States congressional district in the state, to nominate by nomination papers a candidate for president, vice-president, United States senator or governor.

II. It shall require the names of 1,500 registered voters registered in the district to nominate by nomination papers a candidate for United States representative; 750 to nominate a candidate for councilor or state senator; and 150 to nominate a candidate for state representative or county officer.

III. It shall require the names of registered voters equaling 3 percent of the total votes cast at the previous state general election to nominate by nomination papers a political organization.

655:43 Filing Deadline. I. Nomination papers shall be filed with the secretary of state no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday one week before the primary **(September 5, 2012**). Nomination papers to be filed shall be grouped by municipality. No nomination papers shall be accepted by the secretary of state unless the candidate shall have met the age and domicile qualifications for the office he or she seeks at the time of the general election and meets all the other qualifications at the time of filing; and if a candidate for the office of governor, executive councilor, state senator, or state representative, unless the candidate shall file with the nomination papers an affidavit of qualifications as provided for in RSA 655:28 and 655:29; and if a candidate for United States senator or United States representative, unless the candidate shall meet the qualifications for office under RSA 655:3 and 655:4.

II. No candidate who intends to run for any state or federal office in the state general election by means of nomination papers shall have his or her name placed on the ballot unless the candidate files a declaration of intent, as provided in RSA 655:17-a or 655:17-b, within the filing deadline required by RSA 655:14-a (June 2-11, 2010). Any person who files on the last day of the filing period must do so in person before the secretary of state.

III. No political organization shall have the names of its candidates placed on the ballot unless the chairman of the organization files a declaration of intent, as provided in RSA 655:17-c, within the filing deadline for candidates established in RSA 655:14-a.

IV. No person who filed as a candidate in the state primary election shall be eligible to have his or her name placed on the ballot for the state general election by submitting nomination papers as provided in this subdivision.

655:44 Objections. Nomination papers made in accordance with the provisions of this chapter shall be regarded as valid and shall be received by the secretary of state unless objection thereto is made in writing no later than the Monday following the last day for the filing of such papers.