



BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION and ELECTIONS OF BEAUFORT COUNTY



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Statement on Coronavirus and March Candidate Filing

Effective March 16, 2020 until further notice, the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County **Bluffton Satellite office**, located at 61B Ulmer Rd, Bluffton, SC will be **CLOSED**.

Candidate filing will open at noon on March 16, 2020 and close at noon on March 30, 2020 at the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County Beaufort office, 15 John Galt Rd, Beaufort, SC, 29906 ONLY. All partisan candidates seeking office in the November 3, 2020 General Election must file during this period.

The Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County is taking actions to provide for continuity of operations and to protect the health and safety of candidates and election officials. These actions include but not limited to:

- Providing one-time use pens for signing documents. Candidates are also encouraged to bring their own pen.
- Practice good hygiene and social distancing, including refraining from shaking hands.
- Encouraging candidates to make an appointment to file. Appointments will reduce the number of candidates in the office at the same time. Appointments are optional.
- Candidates have the option to file by agent. This option may be particularly helpful to candidates who have underlying health conditions, are self-isolating, or are quarantined. Candidates may have any other person deliver a notarized Statement of Intention of Candidacy & Party Pledge form and any necessary filing fee check to the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County, 15 John Galt Rd, Beaufort, SC 29906.

For details on candidate filing, visit: <https://www.beaufortcountysc.gov/vote> or <https://www.scvotes.org/candidate-information>